

OUTREACH



To The Superannuated Teachers
of Saskatchewan

STS 2006 Annual General Meeting – President's Report

Horst J. Sawatzki

The STS 33rd Annual General Meeting was truly a great celebration. Henri Loiselle and Martin Janovsky provided the positive beat that had delegates step enthusiastically through Wednesday and Thursday's agendas. Each interest session provided delegates with tidbits of information to take home: green thumbs, focused and framed images, and better driving habits were some of the key phrases that caught my attention. The delegates' resolve to give the business affairs their full attention soon took care of all the resolutions for 2006.

Highlighting our banquet was the **Celebration** of individual and Chapter contributions to STS.



Bert Gordon and Horst Sawatzki

Congratulations to:

- The 2006 Honorary Life Member recipients—Doreen Lloyd, Bert Gordon and Ernie Mazur.
- The 12 Chapters receiving the 2006 STS Growth Awards, and
- The individuals who had received their Chapter's special awards for 2006.

In my President's address, I focused on the Executive targets and accomplishments for 2005-06 and expressed a special thank you to the local Chapters that invited me to their meetings over the last 2 years. Bernice and I made about 25 trips—from Rockglen in the south to Loon Lake in the north with Esterhazy and Medicine Hat filling in the east and west. It was great to meet new and experienced members each contributing to the Chapter's growth and purpose. My message was always simple and direct: what we are, what we hope to accomplish and where we want to be tomorrow. The positive feedback about STS was appreciated and shared with your provincial Executive. I trust I left something positive for Chapters to build upon.

- Our organization, the STS, is growing in numbers, is financially sound and is not stagnant. It will continue to ask you where we should be tomorrow. Your Executive thanks you for your continued support both at the Chapter and provincial level.

- We have a great organization, thanks to you. The vision of 1973 is alive. As we grow in numbers, let us not lose sight of the hopes and dreams that have brought us together as STS. There will be challenges to STS as we continue to grow and take on more responsibilities. Even though **"WE CANNOT DIRECT THE WINDS . . . We can adjust our sails"**.

Thank you to all the candidates that sought a position on the 2006-07 STS Executive. Welcome to Jim Slough and Barry Hollick, new Executive members. Veterans, it's time to show your stuff. The best to Siegrid Schergel, your new President, as she will lead us through the ever growing STS business and responsibilities. To Audrey Blais we say farewell and thank you for your contribution to Executive matters over the last 3 years. Enjoy your new 'retirement'!

It has been my pleasure to serve you and to work with a very dedicated Executive and office staff who are always ready to work on your behalf. Thank you for your support over the years. Have a good year!

2006 AGM Reports

Executive Secretary's Report

The Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan are experiencing another very successful year in 2005-2006. Some of our success stories are found in the areas of administration, finances, political action, support services and benefits.

1. Administration

- 1.1 An increase in membership of almost four percent.
- 1.2 A very successful strategic planning session for the STS Executive in September 2005.
- 1.3 A well received meeting with STS Chapter Presidents in November of 2005.
- 1.4 The addition of a fourth part-time staff member at the STS Office. We are hopeful the current staff component will provide long-term stability to the STS Office.

2. Finance

- 2.1 An agreement between STS and the STF to have accounting services provided by the STF. This measure will ensure a strong system of checks and balances for STS financial services.
- 2.2 The engagement of Deloitte to provide audit services to the STS.
- 2.3 A small surplus in the financial operations of STS for 2004 -2005.

3. Political Action

- 3.1 A successful lobby with the Department of Learning regarding the administration of the Teachers' Superannuation Plan.

3.2 Successful adoption of STS Resolutions by ACER-CART.

3.3 Partial completion of a network of contact people with every STS Chapter regarding political action.

4. Support Services

- 4.1 The successful establishment of a support service database on the STS website.
- 4.2 Partial completion of a network of contact people with each STS Chapter regarding support services.

5. Benefits

- 5.1 Positive financial experience for the third year of the second three year contract with Saskatchewan Blue Cross.
- 5.2 Successful completion of negotiations for a third three-year agreement for Extended Health, Travel and Dental Plans with Saskatchewan Blue Cross.
- 5.3 A significant increase in participation levels in the Extended Health, Travel and Dental Plans.

While our organization continues to grow and flourish, we must be prepared to face future issues and challenges with strong leadership at the provincial and Chapter levels, and with a sound financial base from which to respond to these issues and challenges.

In closing, let me express my thanks to the STS Executive, staff and membership for your support and encouragement. It has been a privilege to serve as your Executive Secretary.

*Respectfully submitted,
Fred W. Herron*

Office and Staffing Committee Report

1. The Committee includes the three Saskatoon based Executive Members, (Ernie Epp, Fred Herron (Chair) and Margaret Martin). In addition, Harold Schultz serves as a member of the Committee.
2. The Committee met on November 2, 2005 to review proposed revisions to the contracts of employment of Shirley Henderson, STS Office Manager, and Colleen Bailey, STS Office Assistant. The tentative agreements for 2006 were subsequently ratified by the STS Executive.
3. The Committee reviewed staff requirements and workload at the STS Office and recommended that an additional person be employed on a part-time basis. The additional staff member would provide greater flexibility for current STS staff and ensure that the office could provide service during periods of heavy demand or staff illness. It was also seen as important for the long range plan to staff the STS Office.
4. The Committee reviewed the implications for STS staff resulting from the implementation of the Support Services Database. The Committee felt that it would be essential to provide the support required to keep the database current.
5. The STS Executive approved the recommendation to employ an additional person on a part-time basis. Heather Hase was engaged to fill that position effective February 1, 2006.

*Respectfully submitted,
Fred W. Herron*

ACER-CART Report

ACER-CART was founded in 1991 and now includes provincial organizations of retired teachers from every province in Canada with a total membership of approximately 125,000. The objectives of the national organization are:

1. To facilitate and promote liaison and mutual assistance among its member organizations;
2. To promote the interests of its member organizations;
3. To develop strategies for joint action on matters of common concern to member organizations;
4. To cooperate with other seniors' organizations on matters of common concern;
5. To promote excellence in education.

The association has developed a Constitution, Bylaws and Policy statements on pensions and health care for Canadians. Standing committees on communications, health and pensions have been established. It is hoped that the work of these committees will assist ACER-CART to respond to the needs of the member organizations.

ACER-CART has also enabled provincial organizations of retired teachers to exchange information and share points of view with respect to their common concerns and programs. The provincial organizations regularly exchange copies of their newsletters and publications. Each year members of the STS Executive receive summaries of cross-Canada information, and these summaries are useful in planning and evaluating programs.

On October 6, 2005 the Executive Director of ACER-CART, appeared before the Federal Government Standing Committee on Finance in a pre-budget consultation. He raised many issues of concern to seniors, namely, grants to a consortium of seniors' organizations, direct compensation to persons leaving their jobs to take care of sick family members,

splitting of household income, treatment of Old Age Security as tax-free income, increase in the pension income deduction, re-introduction of the interest income deduction, deduction of 100% of non-covered medical expenses and of charitable donations.

On a personal note, I wish to thank the members of STS for the opportunity to have served on the ACER-CART Board of Directors for the past year.

*Respectfully submitted,
Fred W. Herron*

Budget and Finance Committee Report

Serving on the Budget and Finance Committee in 2005-2006 were: Fred Herron (Executive Secretary); Mike Kaminski, Ed Magis, Margaret Martin, Maxine Stinka, Horst Sawatzki (Ex-officio) and Siegrid Schergel (Chair). In addition, Shirley Henderson (Office Manager) ably recorded and prepared the minutes and other reports.

The Committee met the day before each Executive Meeting in September and November 2005 and January and March 2006. At that time we reviewed the monthly Financial Reports, the Contingency Fund Balance Sheet, and the Extended Health Fund Balance Sheet. In November, the Committee reviewed the auditor's report for the period July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005, and recommended that it be approved by the Executive (which it was).

In January, 2006, our new audit firm Deloitte met with the Executive to discuss the audit process. As a result of engaging an audit firm, the role of the Budget and Finance Committee has expanded to include the audit committee responsibilities. It is anticipated that the Committee will meet with the auditors in May to become more informed about this role and its responsibilities.

As per its mandate, the Committee continued to assist the Executive Secretary in preparing the annual budget and recommending it to the Executive. The proposed budget for 2006-2007 was published in *Outreach* and is included in the AGM material for your consideration. It is a balanced budget based on 7700 members with a membership fee of \$30.00 per annum and with a Chapter rebate of \$8.00 per person.

The Budget and Finance Committee continued to monitor the affairs and policies of the organization that have a financial impact and made recommendations to the Executive. It recommended a continuation of the contract of employment with the Executive Secretary, the addition of a part-time staff member to the Office and to enter in to a new contract with Blue Cross for Extended Health and Dental Insurance Coverage.

The Committee also continued to monitor membership growth of the organization and its impact on the overall operation of the STS. Although the steep growth curve has slowed as most superannuated teachers who were eligible to become members of the organization have joined, the STS continues to grow. As of April 2006, our membership was 7750.

The Budget and Finance Committee continues to play an important role in the affairs of our organization and, as Chair, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to Fred Herron, Executive Secretary, for his vision, tremendous leadership, and incredible work ethic. Thank you also to Shirley Henderson for preparing all the minutes and reports without which this committee could not operate. Finally, thank you to all the committee members who went through each report with great deliberation and thoroughness and who thoughtfully considered the various issues that came before this committee. All of you made my job a pleasure.

*Respectfully submitted,
Siegrid Schergel, Chair*

Archives Report

We, the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan, are proud of our achievements and we want to highlight and preserve them for recall in the future. If you want to take a stroll down memory lane by glancing through past material, you will be sure to spot many individuals you have worked with over the years and recall events that you have enjoyed. You can view and review these memories in the Archives by visiting the STS Office.

Your Archives contains a wealth of information about the STS and it is ready for you to use and enjoy. Under historical data it has such things as the constitution, minutes of past Executive meetings, pictures of STS presidents, and STS Executive members, and Stan Fowler Forum columns from the *Saskatchewan Bulletin*. STS Heritage includes past editions of *Outreach*, STS and Chapters' Heritage, the Honorary Life Membership Registry, Chapter Growth Awards,

and summary reports of Recreation and Activities. You can view a more complete list of materials in the Archives by visiting the STS website.

Work has continued this current year in organizing new material. Most of the material we are currently dealing with is recent; however, on occasion we do receive materials from various sources which take us back to the early days of education. If we receive materials we add them to our Archives, give them to the STF Archives or pass them on to an organization that will preserve the history in a fitting manner.

We are again proud to present Growth Awards to local Chapters. Strong local Chapters are the strength of our organization and it is only fitting that we honor them at our AGM. I would like to thank Jim Segó for his work and support. His expertise and friendship have definitely made our work sessions most pleasurable.

*Respectfully submitted,
Calvin Bachmeier, Chair*

Councillors' Report

Keeping up-to-date on educational issues . . .

Our eight STS Councillors have had two main opportunities to gather with other councillors for the STF during this past year:

1. A Special meeting of Council occurred in Saskatoon on October 14-15, 2005.
2. The Annual Spring Council was held in Saskatoon on April 26-28, 2006. This was the first time that this Council met at a time other than during Easter week. Councillors discussed and voted on 36 Resolutions and 12 Notices of Motion. These Resolutions were broken into topics: Social and Political Advocacy, Professional Stewardship and Responsibility, Economic Services, Superannuation, Economic Services - Provincial Bargaining, Governance and Administration.

These meetings of Council give us

STS Executive 2006-2007



President Horst Sawatzki passes on the gavel to president-elect Siegrid Schergel.

Past President/Councillor: Horst Sawatzki, Moosomin

President/Councillor: Siegrid Schergel, Moose Jaw

Vice-President/Councillor: Jim Segó, Unity

Councillors: Wally Derkach, Nipawin
Shirley Dyck, Swift Current
Mike Kaminski, Assiniboine
Margaret Martin, Saskatoon
Peter Wiebe, Regina

Members -At-Large: Calvin Bachmeier,
Maple Creek-Medicine Hat
Ernie Epp, Saskatoon
Barry Hollick, Prince Albert
Ed Magis, Yorkton
Darlene McCullough, Tisdale
Jim Slough, Regina
Maxine Stinka, Assiniboine

ACER-CART: Fred Herron, Saskatoon

Life Style Planning: Bert Gordon, Prince Albert

Editor: Loretta Romanekewicz, Swift Current

an opportunity to dialogue with all 200+ Councillors from all over Saskatchewan both in a formal manner and an informal manner in our hospitality room. As STS Councillors we also receive all information bulletins from the STF keeping us up to date on all education issues in Saskatchewan.

We missed Doreen Lloyd's presence, knowledge, and leadership at both Councils this past year. We know that her spirit and passion for education in Saskatchewan will continue to be with us.

*Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Martin*

Outreach Report

Another year has passed and five issues of *Outreach* have come to your homes. I trust you have enjoyed reading all about your friends and colleagues as they enjoy their retirement from the classrooms or other educational responsibilities that comprised their professional careers.

Your feedback is generally most positive; however, occasionally we receive a reminder that we must remain vigilant in printing what is relevant, appropriate, and accurate. Your committee, your editor, and those who serve as proof readers do their best, and we are proud of each issue that is published.

As you may recall, our Centennial Issue was glossy and colorful and focused on the 2005 AGM. It was more expensive to produce and indicated how much more attractive our newsletter could be. However, we had planned to print only one issue such as this to celebrate along with the rest of Saskatchewan in its many forms of celebration. All subsequent issues have been in the regular format and quality so as to remain cost effective yet adequate.

Chapters need to hear what other

Chapters are doing, so please submit reports of the exciting things happening in your area of the province. Recent issues have carried articles on highly creative initiatives of several Chapters. We need to hear more news like this.

Included in each *Outreach* is an "In Memoriam" page letting us know whose life of service as an educator and citizen has slipped away. We need to remember them for their contributions. Your *Outreach* newsletter clearly reveals how much superannuates care for each other and for the betterment of the communities in which they have lived or still live.

A special thank you must be expressed to Loretta Romanekewicz, editor and to Shirley Dyck, assistant, for their work as editors, to STF printing services staff, to the Abilities Council for distributing services, and to Fred Herron, Margaret Martin, Harold Schultz, and Shirley Henderson for proofing and advising in the preparation and delivery of each issue.

*Respectfully submitted,
Ernest J. Epp-Committee Chair*

Support Services Report

The STS Support Services program is now operational. The data base established for this service is in place and fully accessible on the website address www.sts.sk.ca. This support site has been designed to be user friendly and comprehensive. It has also been carefully crafted to be relevant for a broad range of health-related assistance our members may require and request.

Since this innovative service has just become available, the number of persons accessing it is not high. However, feedback from some that have, indicates the information to be helpful. This is what we want to

hear. The website will be monitored and updated on a regular basis.

To date most of our Chapters have designated Support Services liaison representatives with the few remaining ones expected to designate their representative soon.

STS has invited the continued assistance of Dalton Tamney, the key resource person in the development of this service. He is currently contacting all liaison representatives for the purpose of orienting them as to how their services to their local area superannuates might be provided most effectively.

I encourage you to access the above website and find out for yourselves how helpful it can be for such a broad range of personal and health-related assistance. Persons who have accessed the site report that information available in caring for the elderly, or for knowing what to do in the event of death in a family has truly helped.

Thank you for your interest and potential participation.

*Respectfully submitted,
Ernest J. Epp-Committee Chair*

Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism Report

The Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism is a non-profit, volunteer organization whose mission is to promote a united voice on seniors' issues through research and action.

This fall we used two separate days of training to facilitate and improve our own productivity and performance in serving the needs of seniors through SSM. These sessions were very worthwhile, especially for me, as I was a new Board Member on SSM. We must continue to evaluate our services and performances in an effort to find more effective ways of supporting and

maintaining the quality of life for seniors, and indeed, improve it wherever possible.

Beverly MacLeod has been hired as the new Executive Director for SSM. We are looking forward to working with her.

The auditor retained to check our financial activities is Minz & Wallace.

The SSM AGM is scheduled for May 18, 2006 at the Travelodge in South Albert, Regina starting at 10:00a.m. Minister to Seniors, Honorable Graham Addley is invited to be the guest speaker. STS may have up to three voting delegates. These three delegates from the STS are: Ernest Mazur, Al Schell, and Peter Wiebe.

SSM Centennial License Plate sale has been discontinued. Fewer than half the plates have been sold.

SSM met with Rod Ashfield to discuss the Wired For Wisdom Project. The SSM responsibility on the project is to recruit tutors and students who will learn how to use the computer (using the Neil Squire facilities) by attending informal sessions for 40 weekends, (4 hours each weekend) tentatively starting April 8, 2006. We are also responsible for putting information in Gray Matters to promote the project and recruit the tutors/students.

Health & Lifestyle Showcase will be in Regina, September 29th, 30th, and October 1st, 2006.

International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse: World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is June 15, 2006. Information is available at www.inpea.net.

The items listed above are but a small sampling of the activities that SSM is involved in promoting. Anytime anyone has a question, concern or suggestion for SSM, please don't hesitate to contact me, or visit the SSM website at www.skseiorsmechanism.ca. The data base is a collection of non-profit advocacy/support groups and organizations and gov-

ernment services that relate to seniors. You may also gain access to information through the **SSM HOTLINE 1-888-823-2211**.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Wiebe, SSM Board Member

Retirement Lifestyle Planning Committee Report

The Planning Committee consisted of Shirley Dyck, Bob Krismer, Doreen Lloyd, Dona O'Callaghan, Boyd Taylor and myself. George Georget served as STF liaison.

A Planning Committee meeting was held on October 28, 2005. Boyd and Doreen were unable to attend but Mickey MacLellan, Shirley Henderson and Dianne McLeod were in attendance along with the rest of the Committee. Primary topics of discussion were the promotion and advertising of the program, and the recruitment of more presenters.

We held a full day seminar in Saskatoon on October 29, 2005. It included the material from the STF Pre-Retirement seminars as well as our own Lifestyles material. Approximately 130 participants were in attendance. Evaluations were generally very good, but there are some who would prefer to concentrate only on the financial topics. We are looking at setting it up so that both groups can be accommodated.

The 2005 National Conference of the Canadian Association of Pre-Retirement Planners (CAPP) was held in Saskatoon, September 29-October 1, 2005. Many interesting and useful presentations were available. Dona O'Callaghan, Shirley Dyck and Bert Gordon attended the Conference as representatives of the STS.

About 30 teachers were present for a half day session presented by Shirley Dyck for the teachers of the Prairie West School Division during their convention in October. Eighty

two teachers were present for a session presented by Bert Gordon at the Convention of the Prince Albert and Area Teachers Association on March 21, 2006.

A sincere "Thank You" to all who participated in any way.

Respectfully submitted,
Bert Gordon

Benefits Committee Report

Enhancing the Quality of Life

"To enhance the quality of life and well-being of retired teachers who wish to protect themselves against real and potential life circumstances, the STS shall provide, on a cost efficient basis, medical, dental, life and other forms of insurance to its members and their families."

The STS Benefits Plans have been in place since September of 1996. The above Mission Statement was developed by the Benefits Committee and approved by the Executive at that time. It still provides purpose and direction for the Committee.

In 1996 we had about 875 members in the Extended Health Care Plan and 1060 in the Dental Plan. The Plans were carried with Johnson Incorporated until December 31, 1999. On January 1, 2000 we entered into a three-year agreement with Saskatchewan Blue Cross, and on February 1, 2006, started on a third three year contract. We now have approximately 2560 participants in the Extended Health and Travel Plan and 2450 in the Dental Plan, for a total of 5010 contracts. A total of 3129 (approximately 40%) members are participating in one or both plans, and membership continues to grow.

The main changes of the new contract were listed in the last *Outreach*, but some of the highlights are:

- There will be no increase in premiums during the term of the agreement.

- Maximum coverage for glasses/contacts increases from \$75 to \$100 every two years.
- Maximum coverage for eye examinations increases from \$50 to \$75 every two years.
- The Plan will continue to use the Saskatchewan Fee Guide when evaluating all claims.
- The Plan will continue to use the Saskatchewan Formulary, including those drugs on Exceptional Drug Status.
- Coverage for Minor Dental at 75% co-insurance and for major Dental at 50% co-insurance will each increase to \$1000 per year, up from maximums of \$750.
- Implants will now be covered under Major Dental Coverage as above.

The Drug Reimbursement Card appears to be working well. The few minor problems that have occurred are being addressed as soon as they are reported.

Both Plans are in sound financial condition with an overall claims ratio of about 82% during the last year of the contract. As a result the Claims Fluctuation Reserve has reached its maximum of 12% of claims and additional funds have been placed in a Deposit Account designed to be used to maintain or improve the Plans.

We are disappointed that not all members have applied for integration with the Sask. Government Prescription Drug Plan, even after receiving the letter suggesting that they do so. This notice is sent out after usage reaches a pre-set level. We are now looking at making integration mandatory after usage reaches a second, still to be determined, level. A second letter would indicate that benefits will be withheld until application is made. It is easy to do, just contact your pharmacist.

The Committee met five times during the year, the day before each of the Provincial Executive meetings. At least one of the Blue Cross representatives, Darwin Forbes or Bob

Wilhelms, was present at each meeting. We were able to examine the progress of the Plans and to discuss with them any problems that had arisen. In addition Executive Secretary Fred Herron and Office Manager Shirley Henderson are in contact with them between meetings, as the need arises. We extend our thanks to Saskatchewan Blue Cross for the excellent co-operation and service.

Thank you to committee members Derwyn Crozier-Smith, Wally Derkach, Shirley Dyck, Ed Magis,

Siegrid Schergel, and President Horst Sawatzki for their dedication to the Benefits Plan, and a very special thank you to Executive Secretary Fred Herron, Office Manager Shirley Henderson and Office Assistant Colleen Bailey, for the tremendous amount of work that they do for us. This will be my final report, and I thank you for the opportunity to have served you on the Benefits Committee for the past eleven years.

*Respectfully submitted,
Bert Gordon*

Expression of Appreciation

BE IT RESOLVED that a sincere expression of appreciation and thanks be extended to the following for their contribution to our AGM:

- **Henri Loiselle** and **Martin Janovsky**, **Warren Hay**, their Bass player and **Roy Sydiaha**, their percussionist—our guest entertainers.
- **Al Reichert**, **Pat Derbowka**, **Ray Unrau**, **Sara Williams**, **Bob Wilhelms** and **Caroline Bykowsky**—presenters of the Interest Sessions.
- **His Worship, Mayor Atchison**, who brought greetings on behalf of the City of Saskatoon.
- **President Heather Vermeersch**, who brought greetings from the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation.
- **Blaine Morrison** for entertaining and **Betty Brewer** for playing *O Canada*.
- Our Corporate Sponsors for their generosity: **ESTI**, **Greystone Capital Management**, **Sask. Blue Cross**, **TCU Financial Group** and the **Travelodge Hotel**.
- The displays from **McDowell Foundation**, the **TCU Financial Group**, the **STS**, the **STF Memorabilia**.
- The management and staff of the **Travelodge Hotel** for assisting in making our stay at the hotel very comfortable..
- **President Horst Sawatzki** for his leadership during the past two years.
- The **Executive of the STS** who work to build our STS.
- **Shirley Henderson**, Office Manager and **Colleen Bailey** and **Heather Hase**, Office Assistants who do the behind scenes work that makes this conference run so smoothly.
- **Fred Herron**, Executive Secretary, who oversees the operation of the organization and works so diligently on behalf of the STS.
- **Resolution Group Facilitators and Resource Persons** and the **Chairpersons** of the Interest Sessions.
- The **Prince Albert and Swift Current Chapter Delegates** for their assistance in registration.
- And to **Shirley Dyck** and **Darlene McCullough**, the extremely capable Co-Chairpersons of the Planning Committee for planning and organizing another very successful AGM.

STS Resolutions 2006

Resolutions Directed to the STS

Resolution One:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS Group Benefit Plan payment for hearing aids be raised to \$750 per hearing aid every 5 years providing this amount is congruent with the 75% co-insurance payment agreement currently in effect. CARRIED

Resolution Two:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS explore subsidizing smaller Chapters to assist them in their growth and program delivery. CARRIED

Resolution Three:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS explore the implementation of automatic membership fee deduction at source of all retired Saskatchewan teachers. DEFEATED

Resolution Four:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS encourage all Chapters to reassess their current Chapter designation in view of the new amalgamated larger school divisions in Saskatchewan. If the assessment reveals that existing Chapters should extend their

current boundaries to include other Chapters in the new larger division, they should be encouraged to do so as soon as possible. DEFEATED

AMENDMENT: Change the words should extend to "would benefit by extending" CARRIED

Resolution Five:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS contribute \$1000.00 in memory of and celebration of Doreen Lloyd's life and in recognition of her contributions to this organization to the charity chosen by the family, the McDowell Foundation. CARRIED

Resolutions Directed to the STF

Resolution Six:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS request the STF to urge the Department of Learning to recognize the traditional faith designation of Christmas as the official holiday of that season of the year. CARRIED.

AMENDMENT: change the word recognize to "reaffirm". CARRIED

Resolution Seven:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS urge the STF to negotiate the Group Life Insurance Plan to be extended from the age of 75 years to 80 years of age. CARRIED

Resolution Eight:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS urge the STF to study the feasibility of increasing the Teachers' Group Life Insurance Plan coverage after age 65. CARRIED

Resolution Nine:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS urge the STF to study the feasibility of providing insurance coverage beyond age 75 under the Teachers' Group Life Insurance Plan. CARRIED

Resolutions Directed to ACER-CART

Resolution Ten:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS request ACER-CART to urge the government of Canada to increase the basic personal exemption amount from the current \$8,648 to \$10,000 for income tax purposes. CARRIED

Resolution Eleven:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS request the Canadian Teachers' Federation to urge the provincial Departments of Learning to require the study of History and Canadian History in all Canadian High Schools. CARRIED

Financial Resolutions

Resolution Twelve:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the STS Annual Fee for 2006-2007 be \$30.00 per person. CARRIED

Resolution Thirteen:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the annual rebate to chapters for 2006-2007 be \$8.00 per person. CARRIED



Our Entertainers

- Henri Loiselle
- Roy Sydiaha, a member of the Saskatoon Symphony
- Martin Janovsky

Late Resolutions

Late Resolution 1

BE IT RESOLVED that the STS create a map of the province showing the location of STS Chapters and that a request be forwarded to the STF to publish this map in the *Bulletin*. CARRIED

AMENDMENT: to add and on the STS and STF websites. CARRIED

Late Resolution 2

BE IT RESOLVED that the STS develop/provide a pre-retirement seminar for the STF support staff DEFEATED

Late Resolution 3

BE IT RESOLVED that the STS request STF to urge the Government of Saskatchewan to study the issue(s) of vulnerability of the Saskatchewan Teachers' Superannuation Plan and continue to explore, with urgency, ways to reduce this vulnerability caused by its unfunded liability status. This study would be expected to result in possible solutions and recommendations for future consideration by the STS.

REFERRED—Beryl Robinson-Mel Friesen: THAT this resolution be referred to the Executive for further study. CARRIED

Late Resolution 4

BE IT RESOLVED that the STS explore ways for the STS Chapters to be able to make early contact with new superannuates for upcoming events. CARRIED

Late Resolution 5

BE IT RESOLVED that the STS request that the provincial Department of Learning require all Saskatchewan schools to display the provincial and Canadian flags in classrooms. CARRIED

Project Nkabom (Ghana)

— 2006 OVERSEAS OPPORTUNITY —

Applications are invited from members of the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan interested in serving with Project Nkabom. This project is supported by the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan (STS), the Nova Scotia Teachers' Union (NSTU), the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation (STF), the Canadian Teachers' Federation (CTF) and the Ghana National Association of Teachers (GNAT).

The STS, the NSTU, the STF, the CTF and the GNAT are entering into a second phase of Project Nkabom. The objective of this phase is to enable teachers from Ghana to take on leadership and facilitative roles that will assist the teachers and GNAT in realizing professional development goals.

The participant(s) for this phase will be involved in a team which will provide leadership training and capacity-building for professional development to teacher-leaders at the elementary level in Ghana.

The criteria for selection of the teacher participant may include:

- an understanding of, and practical experience with the principles of successful professional development of teachers, including:
 - skills in facilitation,
 - leadership development, and
 - instructional strategies and approaches.
- an understanding of and appreciation for working within diverse cultural contexts.
- an appreciation for teacher leadership and the enhancement of teacher efficacy

An understanding of community development models would be an asset.

The participant(s) in this team will need to be available to serve in Ghana for approximately one month possibly during either October/November of 2006 or February/March of 2007. Travel and other expenses would be underwritten by the CTF Trust Fund. For further information, contact the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan or Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation. Deadline for receipt of applications is 5:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2006. The selection of the successful candidate(s) will be made in September of 2006.

Project Nkabom application forms can be obtained from:

Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan
2317 Arlington Avenue
Saskatoon SK S7J 2H8
Phone: 1-800-667-7762; (306) 373-3879
Fax: (306) 374-1122
Web: www.stf.sk.ca or www.sts.sk.ca

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Highlights of the 33rd AGM

Celebrating Our Successes

Shirley Dyck and Darlene McCullough
Co-Chairs of the Annual General Meeting Planning Committee

The 2006 Annual General Meeting held in the Travelodge Hotel in Saskatoon on May 9 – 11 was a huge success. Registration began at 5:30 pm on Tuesday, May 9th. Over two hundred and ten delegates, representing 44 chapters, were registered plus 17 Executive members, the Executive Secretary and three Office Staff. We were pleased to have 6 delegates from our British Columbia Chapters of Fraser Valley, Victoria, Vancouver Lower Mainland, and Okanagan Valley.

We again had Corporate Sponsorship for our AGM. We sincerely thank the Travelodge Hotel, Greystone Capital Management Inc., the TCU Financial Group, Blue Cross, and ESTI for their generosity.

Tuesday Evening – Canadian Ballroom

President Horst Sawatzki welcomed the delegates to this 33rd Annual General Meeting.

Past President, Bert Gordon, Chair of the Nominations Committee introduced the candidates for the 2006-2007 year.

President Horst introduced the evening entertainment:

Henri Loiselle, bass baritone, was born and raised in Saskatchewan and dubbed "Saskatchewan's Own Singing Farmer". Henri has been singing as far back as he can remember. It wasn't until he attended St. Peter's College in Muenster

where he met and was encouraged by Alphonse Gerwing, that he developed the love and passion for music and performing that is so much a part of his performances today. Henri studied Opera Performance at the University of Toronto, studied and performed in Chiari, Italy with the International Institute of Vocal Arts and received his vocal training from International singing star Louis Quilico. A regional finalist in the Metropolitan Opera national Council Competition, he toured with the Canadian Opera Company and has performed in concert from the Maritimes to British Columbia.

Martin Janovsky, pianist, was born in Czechoslovakia. He studied piano and composition at the Conservatory of Prague before touring Europe extensively with his own trio. He was house pianist in the Le Louisiana Cabaret in Saint Malo, France. Martin moved to Canada in 1984 and launched "Hipchek". He met Henri at Expo '86 in Vancouver where Hipchek was the house band at the Saskatchewan Pavilion. Throughout his hectic performing career Martin has also had time to compose.

"Awesome! Delightful! Amazing!" were the comments heard following the performance of the classically-trained bass baritone Henri and the nimble fingered Martin. "Frankly Gentlemen, you knocked our socks off!" commented Siegrid Schergel when she thanked them for their entertainment. Joining them from the Saskatoon Symphony

orchestra were Roy Sydiaha on the drums and Warren Hay playing base guitar. They kept the audience spell bound as Henri sang favourites such as 'Wayward Wind', Tennessee Waltz', 'What a Wonderful World' 'It's Now or Never', 'One Day at a Time'; and Martin played his renditions of 'Boogie Woogie Choo Choo Train', 'Bumble Boogie', 'Twelve Street Rag' and 'Baby, Let's Rock'. What a fantastic way to start our 2006 AGM!

Wednesday, May 10

President, Horst Sawatzki chaired the Plenary Session held in the Galaxy Ballroom.

Following the singing of *O Canada* accompanied by Betty Brewer, Ernie Epp presented the invocation. This was followed by a minute of silence. President Horst then introduced Mayor Donald Atchison, Mayor of the City of Saskatoon, who brought greetings from the city. In his remarks Mayor Atchison welcomed us to this beautiful city. "This is a special year as we celebrate our city's centennial. I invite you to join us in commemorating this milestone in our history by attending some of the activities and events organized for Saskatoon's centenary year." He quoted John F. Kennedy: "There are risks and costs to a program in action". He then told of the many new programs of the city; the new high schools, Bethlehem, T.C. Douglas, and the Centennial Collegiate plus a new

Soccer Centre. He mentioned several programs involving education such as Schools and Truancy. He invited us to take fond memories of Saskatoon home with us.

President Horst delivered his President's Address.

Bert Gordon brought forward the slate of nominees. Fred Herron, Executive Secretary, presented the budget. He then moved we table the committee reports until Thursday.

Shirley Dyck, AGM Co-Chair, discussed the Annual General Meeting format.

Delegates then broke into five groups to discuss the resolutions.

In the afternoon delegates could attend three of the five Interest Sessions offered:

55 Alive Safe Driving—Al Reichert; **Introduction to Digital Photography** — Pat Derbowka; **Emergency Preparedness**—Ray Unrau; **Gardening**

—Sara Williams; **Health Risk Assessment**—Bob Wilhelms and Caroline Bykowsky.

Wednesday Evening

On Wednesday evening, the delegates, Honorary Life Members, Past Presidents, and guests enjoyed the banquet held in the Galaxy Ballroom. President Horst Sawatzki introduced the head table, the Executive, the Honorary Life Members, and special guests.

The Archives Committee of Calvin Bachmeier and Jim Sego presented Membership Growth Awards to 12 Chapters. Horst read the list of superannuates that had received Chapter Awards in 2005.

Darlene McCullough, Chair of the Honorary Life Memberships, bestowed this prestigious award on three worthy candidates: Bert Gordon, Doreen Lloyd (posthumous-

ly), and Ernest Mazur. There is a more detailed report elsewhere in *Outreach*.

The evening concluded with socializing and Blaine Morrison, entertaining us at the piano.

Thursday, May 11

President Horst introduced Heather Vermeersch, President of Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation who brought greetings on behalf of the STF.

In her address Heather stated: " I want to begin today by commending you for your commitment to your members and for your efforts to ensure your organization grows and flourishes. You are 'celebrating your successes' at this Annual Meeting as well you should. There is much that you have done that you can be proud of. Last night I was honoured to be invited to join you in celebrating your growth and the accomplishments of three of your colleagues. What a delightful and awe inspiring event it was! I would like to extend heartfelt congratulations to your Honorary Life Members."

She went on to say; " I am sure you are all aware that there are many issues facing members of the STF at this time due to restructuring of school divisions across this province. Our local associations are reconstituting themselves, our administrators are dealing with a new policy governance model of education delivery, and all of us are recognizing that the enrolment numbers in this province are declining drastically which impacts the number of teacher positions that may be available in the future.

It strikes me that our members could gain a great deal of insight from your members at this time because I know that you have all faced challenges similar to the ones I have highlighted and that you learned to adapt to meet these challenges. I believe that there has never been a better time for all of us, the

Attention Superannuated Teachers

If you withdrew teaching services during a legal strike over the course of your career and as a consequence were required to delay your superannuation in order to accumulate additional contributory service, you may be entitled to a benefit from the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation. Applications will be received until October 31, 2006.

For information, please request an information package from:
Martha Driedger, Administration/Communications
Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation
2317 Arlington Avenue
Saskatoon, SK S7J 2H8
Phone: (306) 373-1660; 1-800-667-7762

STF and the STS, to continue to work together to build relationships that will foster a commitment to teachers and education in this province in the future."

Heather went on to comment; "The STF appreciated the contributions your members have made to the Stirling McDowell Foundation in the past and that commitment serves to enrich all of our members in the long term. We are grateful that the STS is supporting International Development programs of the STF in conjunction with the CTF. The current exploration of Project Nkabom is an example of how this is happening."

She stated: "The willingness of eight of your members to serve as Councillors for the STF is invaluable to us because the mentorship role they play and the information and expertise they share at our Council Meetings truly contributes to the decisions, made by our mem-

bers, which affect the ongoing work of the Federation. I look forward to creating more opportunities to find ways to work together in the future. I believe there is much wisdom and expertise in this room alone, but also among your 7000 plus members that can be shared with our new teachers entering the classrooms for the first time. We need to investigate, together, ways that this can happen."

Displays

We were pleased to have displays from the McDowell Foundation, the TCU Financial Group, Blue Cross, the STF and STS Memorabilia, and Emergency Preparedness.

Several draws were made from these displays. We wish to thank these groups for their generosity. Congratulations to the lucky winners.

The Annual Meeting

The minutes of the 2005 Annual General Meeting were presented by Executive Secretary, Fred Herron. These minutes were adopted as printed. The nomination slate was presented by Bert Gordon; who also conducted the election of officers. The report on elections and the committee reports are printed elsewhere in *Outreach*.

Committee Reports presented and adopted were:

- Executive Secretary – Fred Herron
- Office and Staffing – Fred Herron
- ACER-CART – Fred Herron
- Budget and Finance – Siegrid Schergel
- Recreation – Ed Magis
- Archivist – Calvin Bachmeier
- Councillors - Margaret Martin
- *Outreach* – Ernest Epp
- Support Services – Ernest Epp
- SSM – Peter Wiebe
- Lifestyle Planning – Bert Gordon
- Group Benefits – Bert Gordon

Siegrid Schergel, Chair of the Resolutions Committee, presented the resolutions

Fred Herron, Executive Secretary, presented the 2006 – 2007 budget. An auditor was appointed for next year.

Siegrid Schergel presented the courtesy resolution.

In closing, retiring President Horst Sawatzki thanked executive member Audry Blais, for her three years of service to the STS.

He, then, presented incoming President, Siegrid Schergel, with the gavel.

Bert Gordon presented President Horst, with a gift on behalf of the STS for his great leadership.

President Horst thanked everyone for attending and then adjourned the Thirty-third Annual General Meeting.



Shirley Dyck (left) and Darlene McCullough, Co-Chairs of the Annual General Meeting Planning Committee

STS Honorary Life Members

Honorary Life memberships were bestowed on Bert Gordon and Ernest Mazur while Doreen Lloyd was honoured posthumously. The three recipients were awarded for their distinguished support of and contributions made to the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan.

Darlene McCullough chaired the presentation of the Honorary Life Membership awards.

Bert Gordon, President of the Prince Albert Chapter read the citation and Cheryl Bray, Doreen Lloyd's daughter accepted the award on her behalf.

Mona Berg, Secretary of the Prince Albert Chapter read the citation for presentation to Bert Gordon and he accepted the award.

Don Bahrey, Vice-President of the Assiniboine Chapter read the citation for presentation to Ernest Mazur and he accepted the award.

Ernest Mazur in his acceptance speech said, "DO YOU REALIZE THAT TODAY . . . HISTORY is being made . . . Bert and Ernie are being honoured . . . FURTHER TO THIS . . . There is a strong probability that never again will Bert and Ernie be honoured at the SAME time by Superannuated Teachers. Tomorrow in the *Saskatoon Star Phoenix* I can picture the headline: BERT AND ERNIE HONoured BY THE RETIRED TEACHERS".



Ernest Mazur Assiniboine Chapter

- STS Provincial Executive for 12 years
- SSM Board Member or Alternate for 9 years
- Chapter Award of Merit

Doreen Lloyd (accepted by Cheryl Bray) Prince Albert Chapter

- STS President for two years
- Chapter Award of Distinction
- Honorary Life Membership in STF
- Honorary Life Membership in PATA

Bert Gordon Prince Albert Chapter

- STS President for three years
- Benefits Committee since 1996
- Chapter Award of Distinction
- Honorary Life Membership in PATA
- STF President
- STF Arbos Award 2006

STS Activities Report

Calvin Bachmeier, Ed Magis, Audry Blais



Upcoming Events

Recreational Activities Participation STS Style . . .

This year's recreational activities provided much socializing and participation for many members. It is our policy to try and rotate our activity sites throughout the province. This is why we need Chapters to offer the services of their members and community facilities to host our activities. We are also trying to give Chapters plenty of 'lead time' to allow them to solicit prizes from more and larger corporations who establish their budgets early.

STS Bridge

October 4 & 5, 2006

Elmwood Golf and Country Club
Swift Current, SK
Registration Deadline:
September 30, 2006

Singles: October 4, 7:00 PM
Pairs: October 5, 9:00 AM
Teams: October 5, 1:00 PM
*Individual entries accepted;
Entry Fee: \$30 per person

Send entries to: Jim Roberts,
604 North Hill Drive, Swift
Current, SK S9H 1X2

If you have any questions contact
Jim at: Phone/Fax: (306) 773-
8056; Email: robertsj@sasktel.net

STS Salmon Fishing Derby 2006 August 29, 2006

Victoria, BC
Contact: Val Young at:
409 - 3009 Brittany Drive
Victoria, BC V9B 5P8;
Email: lava1@shaw.ca;
phone (250)391-0661

October Fest/Wine Soiree October 14, 2006

Wakaw Chapter
Tickets \$20.00 each
Contact: Mel Osolinsky,
(306) 233-5596 or
mooroz@sasktel.net

Stitch and Quilt October 16, 17 & 18, 2006

Manitou Beach
Contact: Elaine Muzichuk,
(306)946-2687 or
pweichel@sasktel.net

Curling November 15 & 16, 2006 Outlook

**Kaiser
October 19, 2006**
Prince Albert
9:30-4:30 pm
\$15 per person
Contact: Norbert Tetzlaff,
Box 1885,
Prince Albert, SK S6V 6J9



STS Wine Soiree/Octoberfest 2006

Wakaw Chapter

You are invited to attend a Wine Tasting Soiree/Octoberfest and on Saturday, October 14, 2006 at 2 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion – Wakaw, SK. (314 – 3rd Ave. So., Wakaw)



Program: Register early – limited numbers

Vintners must deliver wine by 1 p.m., Saturday, October 14

- 2:00 – Welcome from Wakaw Chapter; M.C.
- 2:15 – 4:00 Wine Tasting
- 4:00 – 5:00 Entertainment
- 5:00 – 6:00 Catered Supper / Door Prizes
- 6:15 – Wine Competition Awards, People's Choice Award
- 7:00 – 7:30 Closing Remarks / Auction & Bottle Pick-ups
- 7:30 Entertainment/Social Activities

Tickets: \$20.00 each; must be purchased prior to October 7
Enquiries: Mel Osolinsky @ (306) 233-5596 or mooroz@sasktel.net

Stay at: Wakaw Lodge Motel, (306) 233-4345
Camping: Wakaw Lake Regional Park, (306) 233-5744
Poplar Beach RV Resort, (306) 233-5584

Things to Visit: Diefenbaker Law Office, Regional Park – Golfing, Wakaw Lake, Batoche National Historic Site, Scrimshaw Gallery, Duck Lake, Prytula General Store, Tway

Registration

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ PC _____

Tickets required _____ x \$20.00 = _____

Make cheque payable to: STS Wakaw Chapter
Send to: Phil Mueller, Box 159, Wakaw, SK S0K 4P0

Wine Competition: October 14, 2006

Entry Form (for wine-makers)

Name _____ Phone () _____

Address _____

Prov. _____ PC _____

E-mail _____ Fax _____

Please check type of wine and name of wine (max. of 2)

Class	Kit Wines	Scratch wines
Red Dry _____		
Red Sweet _____		
White/Blush Dry _____		
White/Blush Sweet _____		

Vintner's Signature Date Comp. Ticket #

• If additional ticket(s) required, please fill in "Ticket Request Form"

Regulations:

1. Competitors will supply at least 4 (750 ml) bottles of wine per class (maximum of 2)
2. Wine must be delivered by 1 p.m. Saturday, October 14
3. Competition starts at 2:15 p.m.
4. Bottles (and unopened wine) will be ready for pickup at 7:15 p.m.
5. Vintners are provided with one complimentary ticket; all other tickets are \$20 each and must be purchased prior to October 7.
6. There will be prizes in each category plus a "people's choice" award
7. Entries will be accepted on a "first-come" basis based on space available, so enter early; limited entrants
8. Qualified judges
9. For more information, contact Mel Osolinsky at (306) 233-5596
10. Mail entry form to: Mel @ Box 400, Wakaw, SK S0K 4P0, or by email mooroz@sasktel.net

Salute to Chapters

Chapter Awards 2006

Battlefords Chapter: Inez Butler, Frances Taylor

Prince Albert Chapter: Marie-Rose Gauthier, Doris Lund

Red Deer River Valley Chapter: Larry Lozinski, Ivan Popoff, Bill Zolkavich

Regina Chapter: Evelyn Jay, Paul Neumann

Swift Current Chapter: Jim Bobick, Leon Eckert, Mary Mudry

Weyburn Chapter: Hildur Parry

Membership Growth Awards 2006

Chapter Name	Award
Kerrobert	Plaque
Kindersley	Plaque
Maple Creek-Medicine hat	Plaque
Okanagan Valley	2nd Base & Plaque
Outlook	1st Base & Plaque
Potashville Esterhazy	2nd Base & Plaque
Red Deer River Valley	Plaque
Saskatoon	Plaque
Souris Moose Mountain	3rd Base & Plaque
South Central	Plaque
Swift Current	Plaque
Vancouver Lower Mainland	Bell

Deja vu ??



In 2005, sisters Smitty Kent and Jessie Shackleton, dressed in gingham pinafores, red stockings and sun bonnets, sang "I Don't Want to Play in Your Yard" at the Kennedy Centennial Celebration just as they had, ninety years earlier, in 1915. (The only difference was "their hair was not done in braids") (Smitty is a member of the Mainline Chapter.)

Parkland Chapter

In recognition of Saskatchewan's 100th birthday, the Parkland Chapter presented bursaries of \$400.00 each to two students who are in their second year in the College of Education.

The successful applicants were: Megan Johnson (right) of Leask presented by Doreen Wudrick of Leask, and Gina Otte (far right) of Big River presented by Pat Warren of Big River. We wish Megan and Gina much success in their chosen careers.



Kate Myers Reaches 100

Kate Myers, dearly beloved retired primary teacher in Weyburn, recently celebrated her 100th birthday, surrounded by family, former colleagues and even former Grade One students.

Her teaching career spanned 43 years, 38 of them in Weyburn.

Her life of community service always included her church. Kate's record of 57 years as a Sunday School teacher and superintendent has not been matched. Following her retirement, she served as pastoral assistant for several years.

A charter member of the Weyburn STS Chapter (1974), she was given an Honorary Life Membership in 1996. A scholarship bearing her name was instigated by former students in 2001 and goes to a worthy Grade 12 graduate annually.

STF Arbos Award Recipients 2006

Bert Gordon and Al Kessler, were the two most recent recipients of the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation's prestigious Arbos Award for the level of yeoman service they have contributed over the years.

Bert Gordon's 37-year teaching career moved him from teaching 14 students in grades one to ten in the rural school of Ferguslea near the town of Francis, to being administrative coordinator for Carlton High School in Prince Albert.

In addition to his teaching career, Bert served in a number of capacities within the STF, including Councillor for many years, and President in 1985. Since retirement he has been very active in the STS. He was President for three years, instrumental in the introduction of the Benefits Plan, and chair of the Lifestyle Planning Committee.

Al Kessler born and raised in Assiniboia began his teaching career at the junior high and composite high schools in Assiniboia. He left to become physical education director in Leaf Rapids and then in Thompson, Manitoba. When he returned to Assiniboia in 1979, it was as an administrator at the Elementary School, where he remained until his retirement as principal in 2005. Kessler initiated the longest outdoor education program in Saskatchewan and was instrumental in implementing an inclusion model of special education in his school.

STF POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION PRIZES

Congratulations to the Recipients of the 2005-06 STF Post-Secondary Education Prizes

The (5) **STF Entrance Prizes** in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to:

Tessa Hedley	Fort Qu'Appelle, SK	Bert Fox Composite High School
Rhiannon Reed	Denare Beach, SK	Hapnot Collegiate
Jodi Souter	Pleasantdale, SK	Pleasantdale Central School
Jena Thue	Radville, SK	Gladmar Regional School
David Windjack	Hudson Bay, SK	Hudson Bay Composite High School

The recipients above have been drawn from 184 applications received. They are children of teachers who are current, superannuated or deceased members of the STF. They are entering their first year at an accredited post-secondary institution.

The (5) **STF Continuing Prizes** in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to:

Caro Enns	Eyebrow, SK	Medicine Hat College
Sarah Parent	Estevan, SK	University of Saskatchewan
Clayton Smith	Craik, SK	Medicine Hat College
Joel Taylor	Fort Qu'Appelle, SK	Thompson Rivers University
Andrew Yung	Rocanville, SK	University of Regina

The recipients above have been drawn from 287 applications received. They are children of teachers who are current, superannuated or deceased members of the STF. They have completed their first year and are entering a subsequent year as a full-time student in an accredited post-secondary institution.



Aberdeen Celebrates 100 Years

*June 29 – July 1
2007*

Former teachers of Aberdeen School and local districts are invited to join us in celebrating 100 years of education.

**For information contact: Judy and Derwyn Crozier-Smith,
judycs@shaw.ca
(306) 373-7064
211 Nesslin Terrace
Saskatoon SK S7J 4S2**

Calling all Aden Bowman Teachers of 1986

**20 year reunion . . .
June 30 & July 1, 2006 in Saskatoon
Website: <http://bowman86.myevent.com/>**

Meath Park School Reunion July 28, 29, 2006

Welcome high school students, teachers and staff, from 1944 - 1980.
Contact: Delbert Cousins (306) 929-4813
or Diane Adamko (306) 929-2043

Phone Hill 100th Anniversary Celebration

(12 Miles West of Yorkton)
Sunday July 30th, 2006 Potluck
Information Needed?
Phone Lin (306) 764-4913 or Diane Adamko (306) 929-2043

STS Support Services website

If you do not have a high speed internet connection, you might try your local library. They may have computers connected to the internet with high speed access which are available to the general public for free.

www.sts.sk.ca/support_services/index.htm

The Seniors' Information Hotline: 1-888-823-2211

Saskatchewan HealthLine: 1-877-800-0002

In Memoriam

*With great appreciation
we remember our
colleagues for their
many years of
educational services
to the children and
young people of
Saskatchewan.*

*We are only able to include the
maiden names of the deceased mar-
ried female teachers if the family
gives that information to the
Teachers' Commission.*

Name (Nee)	Date of Death	Last Taught
Anderson, Dorothy	16 Mar/06	Regina SD #4
Anderson, Eugene	18 Feb/06	Saskatoon (East) SD #41
Ayerst, Berta	05 Feb/06	Moose Jaw SD #1
Basran, Jagat	29 Mar/06	Biggar SD #50
Benoit, Gertrude (Marineau)	11 Mar/06	Saskatoon (East) SD #41
Bolen, Rose Marie (Ehmann)	27 Feb/06	
Bond, Harry	24 Apr/06	Regina SD #4
Boyes, Ellsy	24 Feb/06	
Burrows, Ivan	07 Mar/06	
Clark, Edward	29 Mar/06	
Chorney, Peter	09 Feb/06	
Coffey, Ralph	08 Mar/06	
Cronkite, Doreen	28 Feb/06	
Denis, Clodomir	14 Feb/06	Saskatoon (East) SD #41
Ford, Daphne (Thomson)	05 Mar/06	Yorkdale SD #36
Frost, Vida	26 Feb/06	
Garchinski, Stella (Prozorowski)	03 Mar/06	
Gilliland, Frances	24 Mar/06	Saskatoon SD #13
Guest, Benson	24 Feb/06	Saskatoon SD #13
Hanson, Violet	29 Mar/06	
Harding, Beatrice	22 Mar/06	Regina SD #4
Hawrylak, William	12 Feb/06	
Heaps, Robert	01 Feb/06	Moose Jaw SD #1
Hills, Gordon	20 Feb/06	
Hofer, Adeline	20 Mar/06	Swift Current SD #94
Hollands, Catherine (Leask)	19 Feb/06	Regina SD #4
Holtslander, Pat (Carpani)	13 Jul/05	Saskatoon SD #13
Hume, Clara	18 Mar/06	
Irvine, Margaret	13 Jul/05	
Johnson, Mary E.	10 Feb/06	
Johnson, Mary L.	17 Feb/06	
Kelly, Helen (Batty)	03 Mar/06	Red Coat Trail SD #69
Kinash, Cyril	09 Feb/06	Prince Albert SD #3
Kingsbury, Isabella (Dick)	19 Feb/06	
Klepack, John	20 Mar/06	
Kostyna, Walter	27 Mar/06	North Battleford SD #103
Kotlar, Antonette	02 Mar/06	
Layman, Glenford	15 Mar/06	
Ledressay, Paul	07 Feb/06	Regina SD #4
Lee, Elmona	08 Mar/06	Regina SD #4
Loucks, Marguerite (Hunter)	05 Jan/06	Prince Albert SD #3
Loutzenhiser, Robert	12 Feb/06	Swift Current SD #94
Lucas, Angeline (Bourgeault)	08 Mar/06	
MacDonald, Dorothy	11 Feb/06	Moose Jaw SD #1
MacIsaac, Mary (MacNair)	10 Mar/06	
Moen, Arnold	28 Mar/06	
Moore, Harold	24 Mar/06	Aspen Grove SD #144
Negrych, Emilla	05 Mar/06	
Nelson, Amy (Magnes)	21 Feb/06	
Osowsky, Henry	27 Feb/06	
Regnier, Sr. Regina	27 Feb/06	
Ricketts, Edith	20 Feb/06	Northern Lakes SD #64
Roberts, Barry	14 Feb/06	St. Paul's RCSSD #20
Roehner, Ruth	15 Jul/05	
Ross, Alan	28 Mar/06	Regina SD #4
Sainsbury, Elsie	19 Feb/06	
Steinsvoll, Margery	17 Mar/06	
Wakaluk, Mary	15 Feb/05	Eston-Elrose SD #33
Warick, Margo	02 Mar/06	Kerrobert SD #44
Wekel, Sr. Ann	10 Feb/06	
Whitney, Marilyn (Bloom)	05 Feb/06	Swift Current SD #94
Zipchian, Pauline	02 Mar/06	Kamsack SD #35

STS Executive 2005 - 2006

From The Editor

“Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn life around.”

– Leo Buscaglia

Teachers and superannuated teachers have that power. Use it wisely. God bless and take care!

Have a wonderful summer!

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Bert Gordon

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Loretta Romanekwicz

Our sincere congratulations to MacGregor (Mac) and Beth Hone of Lumsden who were recipients of the 2005 Centennial Commemorative Medal for their contributions to the arts in Saskatchewan.

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of Saskatchewan

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