



Memorandum

To: STS Chapter Presidents
For Information: STS Executive Members
From: STS Office
Date: August 22, 2024

As the summer months edge towards a close, we trust you are getting excited about the fall season and the opportunities and events occurring in the provincial organization and local Chapters!

Provincial Recreation Events

Stitch 'N Quilt

Stitch 'N Quilt will be hosted by Mainline Chapter on September 23-26 in Grenfell. **Please see attached information** or the STS website for details.

Kaiser

Kaiser will be hosted by Wakaw Chapter on October 10 in Bruno. **Please see attached information** or the STS website for details.

Curling

Curling will be hosted by Saskatoon Chapter on November 4-6 in Saskatoon. **Please see the attached information** or the STS website for details.

2024 Chapter Presidents Meeting

Please mark on your calendars November 15, 2024 as a Chapter Presidents meeting to be held in Saskatoon. More information will be distributed in the coming weeks.

2024-25 Special Projects Grant

The STS Provincial Executive has identified two themes for this year's Special Project Grant. The themes will be "Celebrating Older Persons" or "Truth and Reconciliation". The Provincial Executive has authorized a grant application process, similar to the 50th Anniversary Grant application process, to support and kickstart Chapter plans in recognizing and / or celebrating these themes. **Please see the attached Application Form and Information!**

2024 Provincial and School Board Elections

The fall issue of the STS *Outreach* magazine has a number of articles regarding the fall elections. The fall issue is currently available on the STS website and will soon be mailed to those currently receiving a paper copy. This will be followed in late September with a pamphlet designed to assist members in having good conversations with candidates or neighbors. The STS encourages members to be involved in advocacy and the political process, even though as an organization we are distinctly non-partisan.

Regina Chapter Advocacy Committee has been working with End Poverty Regina to formulate some election questions for candidates as well. Please see the **attached questions** and consider forwarding your members.

School Board elections will also be occurring this fall. We encourage members to consider running for these important leadership positions. Good people are always welcome in elected positions and retired teachers with experience in education are a great asset. More information is available from the Saskatchewan School Boards Association website: [Nominations & Elections - Saskatchewan School Boards Association \(saskschoolboards.ca\)](https://www.saskschoolboards.ca/nominations-and-elections)

STS Office Hours

Lastly, we would like Chapter Presidents and members to know that beginning in September 2024, until the end of June, the STS office will be open to the public or via phone until 1:00 p.m. daily. We hope this extension of office hours will be helpful for those occasions you may need to call or drop by. Of course, we are always available via email or by leaving a message on the office answering machine.