

The Trustee

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Renewed, reenergized and ready to reengage! That's how I'm approaching my first term on the SLTA. I truly believe we can achieve something great here, but, first, let me introduce myself. My name is Michael Morrow and I'm the new President of the SLTA. I currently reside in Maple Creek, where I own a catering business, am in my 4th year on Town Council, am the chair of the local library board and sit on the Chinook Executive Board. To say I'm busy is an understatement. I've taken on this role because I think I can help make a difference, and, hopefully, I can prove that.



In the year to come, the SLTA is looking to be a bigger voice for the Saskatchewan library system and all the regions that support us. Our role is to provide advocacy and governance help to all the library boards in Saskatchewan and we are going to strive to do that to the best of our abilities. We are already in the process of reviewing our mission, vision and strategic plan so we can best lay out our plan moving forward. There will be tough decisions and lots of work ahead of us, and with your support we are ready to do it.

As a collective group, one voice is stronger than ten, and we hope that we can all come together to support our library system here in Saskatchewan. In 2019, we are hoping to prove to everyone that the SLTA is the collective voice we all need.

Michael Morrow
(Chinook)
President



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YOUR SLTA STRIVES TO:

- Promote and foster the development of libraries and library services in Saskatchewan.
- Provide for exchange of ideas and experiences among library board members through conferences and publications.
- Assist members by understanding their responsibilities as library trustees.
- Cooperate with associations of library trustees outside the province.
- Seek improvements and foster necessary changes in the legislation affecting Saskatchewan libraries.
- Work in close cooperation with the Saskatchewan Library Association.



The SLTA AGM was held Friday, May 3rd at the Hilton Garden Inn in Saskatoon, SK. President Sharon Armstrong (Parkland) chaired the meeting.

We have new faces on the SLTA executive! As noted on the previous page, Michael Morrow (Chinook) was elected President of the Association. Steven Allen (Wheatland) was elected Vice-President and Leslee Serack (Wapiti) was elected Treasurer. Nancy Kennedy will continue her role as

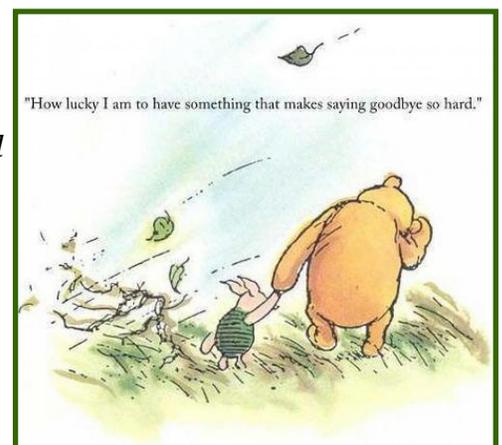
Executive Director and was reappointed as Association Secretary.

Minutes of the AGM and copies of the annual report can be found on the SLTA website—www.slta.ca.

The Saskatchewan Library Trustees' Association acknowledges and appreciates the efforts by the Saskatchewan Library Association in hosting this conference. It is a huge undertaking and is always well done. We are pleased to assist where we can.

SAYING GOOD-BYE IS HARD TO DO!

SLTA said goodbye to two long-term board members in April—both Treasurer Donna Hartley (Southeast) and board member Gail Beuhler (Chinook) hung up their SLTA hats. Ladies— your graciousness and wisdom around the board table will be missed, as will your steadfast support of SLTA. THANK YOU!



We may be saying goodbye but we know this isn't the last we'll see of you. We wish you both nothing but the very best.

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SLTA INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

SLTA is looking for support from local library boards. We would also suggest buying an individual SLTA membership for your mayor, and/or members of councils as a way to show support for libraries. Your support can help us help libraries!

If you would like more information please contact your region's SLTA representative.

Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Region _____

Library _____

Please remit the completed membership form along with **\$10.00** payment to SLTA Executive Director, 79 Mayfair Crescent, Regina, SK, S4S 5T9.

Thank you for your support!

*Each region pays the membership for regional board members. This form is for members of local boards or anyone else who wishes to become a member of the SLTA.

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