

2017/18 Presidents report

Accomplishments:

- Agreement with City – more money per month and freedom to run the business as we see fit
- New Mortgage – lower interest rate, lower monthly payments
- As you will see from financial report, we are long past the survival mode into improvement mode
- We no longer rely on the Line of Credit to survive
- Despite the accountants way of showing things, We actually have money in the bank
- It's being a long time since we where able to Selling Naming rights
So now we are in TG Thompson Room
- 50th Anniversary party well done
 - Recognition of long-time contributors – Ron Stewart and Sherry Anderson
 - Introduction to newly renovated room and new name - TG Thompson Room
- Renovations thru out:
 - TG Thompson Room
 - Cedar room
 - Curling Lobby and locker rooms
 - Tee Room – just been finished
- Purchased new Beverage cart
- City finding issues with ground water coming into lower level
- And the good news is with all this spending we are still in the black

Issues:

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- Had to redo the kitchen floor just 4 years after last repair – mostly sewer back-ups and floor drains not being sealed properly – both issues have been taken care of we hope!
- Potential of interest rate increases on mortgage cutting into our ability to make money and continue our improvement program
- Curling – in floor brine piping is a continuing liability - there could be leaks at any time as the floor is now floating instead of being pinned to the walls on all 4 sides. Working with city on potential solutions
- Golf
 - With the irrigation system installation the season was very disappointing – Tournaments down, rounds down affected revenue
 - Golf Refreshment Cart – revenue down -new cart less revenue
 - We are hoping with the irrigation system complete the 2019 season is at least an average one

Recognition:

- Board members –
 - Kelly Timmerman, Doug Braaten, Perry Holowski, Brian Chambers, Robyn Despina, Elaine McCloy, Linda Mosher, Guy Mounce, Vic Schaan, Trent Katcher, Don Code

- very active, engaged and progressive group – no one there just because we needed a body
- Sometimes makes for long meetings but for good reasons
- There will be some changes after tonight - we will talk more after the election.
- Volunteers are the back bone of our organization:
 - 12 board members
 - Have 7 standing committees each of which has up to 6 members
 - Special event committees such as 50th anniversary, 2019 Junior Nationals, Mixed Doubles, etc. – each of which has up to 25 volunteers .
 - That's just the committees. Each event takes many, many volunteers to run it and we always have more than enough.
 - The Junior Nationals will once again test our volunteer base with it requiring around 300
 - Special Projects – such as cleaning up before putting ice in and after taking out, fixing things, demolition prior to renovations, etc. any where from 3 to 25 volunteers
 - We could not survive without you volunteers
 - Thanks is not enough to all of you.
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- Last but not least our Management Staff
 - General Manager Matt Swatzky who has a never-ending list of opportunities for improvements and most of the time the patience to work with the Board to get them done. He has found out it is not easy to work for 12 bosses. He is the leader we need ed to get where we are today
 - Office Manager – Tamara Napady – what can you say about this hard working and friendly person. She has changed the

office from a place you had to go to get something from this organization to a place you want to go to do business with the organization. You see her every where – in the office , in the Rock and Iron and in the banquet/meeting rooms.

On behalf of the board I would like to thank our sponsors, members, customers, the city of Prince Albert, Jody Boulet and the Community Services Department, Darcy Myers and his ice techs. Each and everyone is a key part of our success.

On a personal note. This is my last duty as President. I've served my sentence now it's someone else's turn.

Actually, the past 3 years have flown by. All we have accomplished in the 3 years is a testament to the hard work of Matt, Tamara and the 3 boards I have had the privilege of working with. These people have made the job easy and fun.

But you're not getting rid of me yet, I still have 2 years in my term and I look forward to working in a different role.

Thanks to every one for the help and support.

Retiring board Members – Linda Mosher and Elaine McCloy

Elaine was a very passionate, influential and hard-working curling representative. Instrumental in keeping our curling membership stable for past few years She was not afraid to stand up for the curlers and influenced many discussions in a positive way

Linda took on the task of improving communications with our members and the outside world. It's not easy to move an organization run by use old folks into the social media era but we are getting there because of dedicated board members and others like Linda. She also had another passion – the condition of washrooms, particularly the Women's both in the Building and on the golf course. This passion has led to vast improvements.

John Toner

President