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*Canada Day!*

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PROUD TO BE CANADIAN



***Let us come together to wish Canada a very happy birthday. Wherever you are, it is time to engage in celebrations and enjoy Canada Day! Cherish and always remember the sacrifices made to free Canada.***



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***As we look back, we have had a journey full of challenges and opportunities, growth and prosperity. I hope you can get together with family and friends and share the warmth for our great country.***

***Wherever you are this wonderful Canada Day weekend, take part in the fantastic celebrations planned.***



***Canada Day is celebrated every 1st July and first celebrated on July 1, 1867.***

***The passing of the Constitution Act, 1867 also occurred on July 1, 1867. It is one of the most important constitutions in Canada.***

***In 1982, or more than 100 years later after the holiday's first celebration, Dominion Day became Canada Day.***

***Patriated by the Canada Act 1982, Dominion Day became Canada Day since the political process changed to full Canadian sovereignty.***



Several years ago the following is a list of the 50 Ranked Great Canadian Inventions. Some of them you may be aware of, others a bit of a surprise. All them show that we have a lot to be proud of, whether it be ingenious or humourous....

Insulin, Treatment for Diabetes [1921, Frederick Banting, Charles Best]

Telephone [1876, Alexander Graham Bell]

Light Bulb [1874, Henry Woodward, Mathew Evans]

Five Pin Bowling [1908, Thomas F. Ryan]

Wonderbra [1964, Louise Poirier]

Pacemaker [1950, John Hopps, Wilfred Bigelow, John Callaghan]

Robertson Screw, 1908 [Peter Robertson]

Zipper [1913, Gideon Sundback]

Electric Wheelchair [1952, George Klein]

Poutine [1957, Fernand Lachance]

Cobalt-60 "Bomb" Cancer Treatment [1951, Harold Johns]

Java Programming Language [1994, James Arthur Gosling]

Bloody Caesar [1969, Walter Chell]

Canadarm [1975, Spar Aerospace/NRC]

Standard time [1878, Sir Sandford Fleming]

Electron Microscope [1939, James Hillier, Albert Prebus]

Ski-Doo [1922, Armand Bombardier]

BlackBerry [1999, Mike Lazaridis]

Radio Voice Transmission [1900, Reginald Fessenden]

Birchbark Canoe [First Peoples]

Basketball [1892, James Naismith]

Retractable Beer Carton Handle [1957, Steve Pasjack]

UV Degradable Plastics [1971, James Guillet]

Instant Replay [1955, CBC's Hockey Night in Canada]

Goalie Mask [1959, Jacques Plante]

Marquis Wheat [1908, Sir Charles Saunders]

Pabulum [1930, Alan Brown, Theodore Drake, Frederick Tisdall]

Lacrosse [First Peoples]

Electric Oven [1892, Thomas Ahearn]  
Steam Fog Horn [1853, Robert Foulis]  
Walkie-Talkie [1942, Donald L. Hings]  
Alkaline Long-Lasting Battery [1959, Lewis Urry]  
Paint roller [1940, Norman Breakey]  
Electronic Music Synthesizer [1945, Hugh Le Caine]  
WeeVac 6 [1990, Wendy Murphy]  
Green Garbage Bag [1950, Harry Wasylyk, Larry Hansen, Frank Plomp]  
Snowblower [1925, Arthur Sicard]  
Self-propelled Combine Harvester [1937, Thomas Carroll]  
Instant Mashed Potatoes [1962, Edward Asselbergs]  
Explosives Vapour Detector [1985, Lorne Elias]  
Marine Screw Propeller [1833, John Patch]  
Plexiglas [1931, William Chalmers]  
Key Frame Animation [1969, Nestor Burtnyk, Marcelli Wein]  
CPR Mannequin: "ACTAR 911" [1989, Dianne Croteau, Richard Brault]  
G-Suit [1941, Wilbur Rounding Franks]  
Ardox Spiral Nail [1954, Allan Dove]  
Automatic Lubricating Cup [1872, Elijah McCoy]  
Crash-Position Indicator-CPI [1957, Harry Stevinson]  
Caulking Gun [1894, Theodore Witte]  
Separable Baggage Check [1882, John Mitchell Lyonsentions,



## **COUNTRY MUSIC AWARDS COMING TO SASKATOON!**



*With great enthusiasm, marked by much excitement, it was a pleasure to join Minister Alana Ross, Mayor Cynthia Block and Discover Saskatoon CEO Steph Clovechuk for the announcement that the Canadian Country Music Awards will be held in Saskatoon in September, 2026!*

*Jess Moskaluke, Saskatchewan's own, treated everyone to an exciting trio of her songs, bringing more great news for our city and province.*

*Our government was pleased to support this event because we know there is no better place to host a country music celebration than in the heart of Saskatchewan.*

**WISHING ALL STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND SUPPORT STAFF A WONDERFUL SUMMER**





***This message is copied and but definitely worth sharing. I am happy to pass it on to everyone, especially at this time of the year:***

***A big shout out to all the kids who didn't win an award, make honour roll, and barely made it through the school year. A big hug to the moms, dads, grandparents, caregivers, and foster parents that stuck by them as they maneuvered the school year.***

***To the kids that didn't get invited to the prom, didn't get a scholarship to college, and perhaps have to go straight to work out of high school ... you are still worthy of a pat on the back and facebook post with people talking about how amazing you are.***

***Some kids have to work twice as hard as other students just to get a C. Their achievements deserve recognition.***

***Please don't forget those kids.***

***Kindness, creativity, and generosity...those attributes sadly don't get the accolades they deserve.***



**I sincerely wish teachers and school staff a great summer after having made this another successful school year that supports a strong Saskatchewan.**

#### **SOUTHWEST COLLEGE AND MOOSOMIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LUNCHEON**



***It was such a pleasure to go to Moosomin and speak with community leaders and representatives about our post-secondary institutions. I appreciate the invitation***

***from both the College and the Chamber for inviting me to Moosomin and for the opportunity to connect in person.***



**Great to see MP Steven Bonk, Kevin Weedmark, MLA Moosomin & Murray Gray, Mayor of Moosomin**

***As Minister of Advanced Education, I appreciate the work done by Southeast College. Moosomin has seen firsthand the benefits of bringing new residents into the community – having welcomed a number of families from around the world, including the Ukraine, over the past few years.***

***Our colleges across the province are critical to the growth and success of the provincial economy. Southeast College offers excellent learning opportunities and a diverse range of programs and skills training in trades, agriculture, business and health, and more. Many students use these programs as a platform towards certificates, diplomas and degrees.***

***Students benefit from smaller class sizes and hands-on training aligned with local job market needs. Adult learners also have access to valuable opportunities through Adult Basic Education, continuing education and general interest courses. I know that the business leaders, understand the value of the College to their community and residents.***

**CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN ON SASKATOON CITY CENTRE SCHOOL PROJECT**





Education Minister Everett Hindley joined representatives from the Saskatoon Public School Division, Saskatoon Tribal Council, Central Urban Métis Federated Inc. (CUMFI) and other partners to mark the start of construction on the new City Centre School in Saskatoon with a sod-turning ceremony.

*“This school infrastructure project is a testament to our government’s commitment to providing safe and supportive learning environments for our province’s students,” Hindley said. “The new school will provide high-quality education spaces that serve the needs of students and families for years to come. This build will be in addition to the 11 new schools already completed in Saskatoon, since we formed government.”*



***“We are very excited to announce the start of construction on the Saskatoon City Centre School,” SaskBuilds and Procurement Minister David Marit said. “This build shows our province’s focus on building modern infrastructure for future generations and supporting strong and growing communities.”***

[Construction to Begin on Saskatoon City Centre School Project | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

**SASKATCHEWAN STUDENT AID APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN FOR POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS**

## Saskatchewan Student Aid

### 2025-26 Saskatchewan Student Loan and Grant Applications Now Open



The 2025-26 Saskatchewan Student Aid applications are now available for students pursuing post-secondary education this fall.

Students interested in taking advantage of Saskatchewan Student Aid can fill out an online application to be assessed for a variety of provincial and federal grants and loans. They can also apply for several other student aid programs including scholarships, bursaries, grants and student loan forgiveness.

*"The Saskatchewan Student Aid Fund helps students access post-secondary education from their first year through to joining Saskatchewan's workforce," Advanced Education Minister Ken Cheveldayoff said. "The Government of Saskatchewan remains committed to investing in financial support to enable students to complete their post-secondary education and build rewarding lives and careers in Saskatchewan."*

[Saskatchewan Student Aid Applications Now Open for Post-Secondary Students | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

## **GOVERNMENT SUPPORTS EXPANSION OF HOPE'S HOME FOR CHILDREN WITH COMPLEX MEDICAL NEEDS**



**The Government of Saskatchewan, in partnership with Hope's Home, is expanding services for children and youth in care with complex medical needs through the opening of a new group home in Saskatoon.**

**"Every child deserves the chance to live in a safe, caring and supportive environment," Social Services Minister Terry Jenson said. "This new home is a reflection of our commitment to building stronger communities with services that support children and families in need."**

[Government Supports Expansion Of Hope's Home for Children with Complex Medical Needs | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)





**It was also a celebration for seniors in Saskatoon as the doors officially opened at Columbian Manor with the Phase V expansion completed. There are 30 affordable homes for seniors with mobility challenges, the project reflects the government's commitment to building communities where everyone belongs. Honourable Terry Jenson, Minister for Social Services, and other partners were present at the celebration.**

#### **HOW TO APPLY FOR SASKATCHEWAN STUDENT AID**



## FAQ

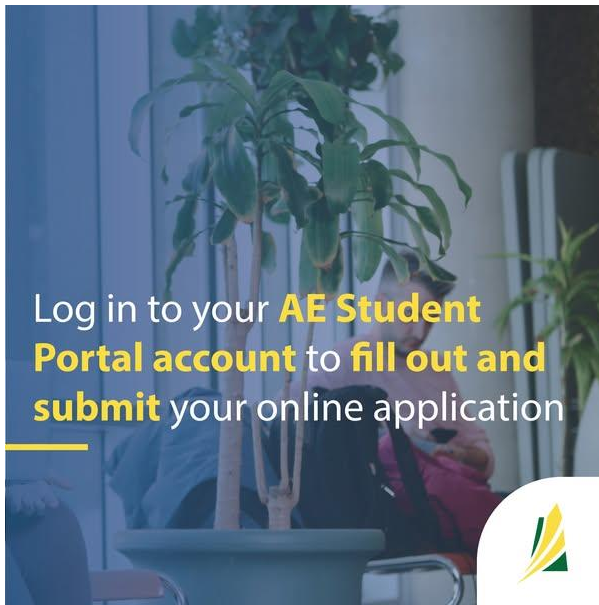
# How do I **apply for Saskatchewan Student Aid?**

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Are you starting classes in the fall and wondering how to apply for Saskatchewan Student Aid? We've got you covered:

- 1** Create an Advanced Education Student Portal account (or sign in if you already have one).
- 2** From the side menu, choose to apply for full-time or part-time student aid.
- 3** Fill out the online application.
- 4** If any additional documents are required for your application, upload them using the "Upload Documents" features in your student portal account.



Learn more about student aid options at [www.saskatchewan.ca/student-aid](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/student-aid) or log in to the AE Student Portal linked in our bio to apply.

**SASKATCHEWAN LEADS PROVINCES IN RETAIL TRADE**

# ***Saskatchewan Leading in Retail Trade***

Our retail sector continues to grow, with a  
**2% increase** month-over-month in retail  
trade sales from March to April 2025  
(seasonally adjusted).



## ***Province Ranks First for Retail Trade Growth***

**Saskatchewan's retail sector continues to grow, with a 2 per cent increase month-over-month in retail trade sales from March 2025 to April 2025 (seasonally adjusted). This places Saskatchewan first among the provinces.**



***"These retail trade results show that consumer confidence in our businesses and industries remains high," Trade and Export Development Minister Warren Kaeding said. "Every purchase made in Saskatchewan helps drive even more opportunity supporting jobs and encouraging investment, while bolstering our strong and growing economy."***

[Saskatchewan Leads Provinces in Retail Trade | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

**SASKATCHEWAN ROUGHRIDER FOOTBALL CLUB INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**



***I was delighted to attend the Saskatchewan Roughrider Football Club Inc. Annual General Meeting at the SportsCage Lounge at Mosaic Stadium.***

***Thank you to outgoing Board Chair Dave Pettigrew and board member Terri Strunk for their nine years of dedicated service on the Board. Congratulations to incoming Board Chair Doug Hodson.***

***There were great presentations by Craig Reynolds, President and CEO, GM Jeremy O'Day, and CFO Kent Paul. It was nice to see Lieutenant Governor Bernadette MacIntyre and Chairman Greg Yuel in attendance.***

***Go Riders - let's build on that 3-0 start.***



## REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATURE



*June has brought a lot of good news for Saskatchewan's economy. More people are working, new homes are being built, retail sales are strong and building permits are up. All of this points to a strong and steady economy — one that continues to grow while our government keeps investing in what matters most: the people of Saskatchewan.*

*Throughout the year, latest labour force numbers from Statistics Canada shows that Saskatchewan has maintained a strong labour market and steady growth. Our province currently holds the lowest unemployment rate in Canada at 4.2 per cent, well below the national average of 7.0 per cent.*

*Our province is experiencing record job growth and continues to be an economic leader in the country. To build on this momentum, our government is focused on attracting investment and ensuring Saskatchewan remains one of the best places to live, work and raise a family in Canada.*

*In building permits, Statistics Canada's latest figures indicate a 31.5 per cent increase from April 2024 to April 2025 in the value of permits issued in Saskatchewan. The total value reached \$290 million (seasonally adjusted) in April this year.*

*This continued rise in building permits reflects a strong economy that delivers for the people of Saskatchewan. Our stable business*

***environment and competitive incentives are helping bring new jobs, new investments and more opportunities for people across the province.***

***Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation also recently released new data showing urban housing starts in Saskatchewan increased by 108.6 per cent in the first five months of 2025 compared to the same period in 2024. This places our province first in the nation.***

***Moreover, urban housing starts in May 2025 alone rose by 205.9 per cent over May 2024, ranking Saskatchewan second among all provinces for year-over-year growth. This is a clear sign of investor confidence and the positive momentum driving our province forward.***

***Saskatchewan's retail sector also continues to grow, with a 2 per cent month-over-month increase in retail trade sales from March to April 2025, ranking our province first among all Canadian provinces. In April alone, total value of retail trade reached \$2.3 billion.***

***These strong retail numbers continue to demonstrate consumer confidence in our businesses and industries. Every purchase made right here at home helps support jobs and attract investments – all of which contribute to a strong and growing province.***

***While Saskatchewan's economy continues to show strength, our government is making sure that growth benefits the people of our province through meaningful investments. In health care, more surgeries are being delivered and wait times are improving.***

***From April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2025, more than 100,000 surgeries and procedures were performed. The health system also exceeded its target of completing 90 per cent of surgeries within eight months, with nearly 92 per cent completed in that timeframe.***

***The surgical program is now well-positioned to achieve a six-month wait time target for most surgeries set for 2025–26. These improvements are a result of strategic investments, focused targets and the hard work of our surgical teams. Our government is thankful to our surgical teams across Saskatchewan for their hard work and dedication to benefit patients.***

***Education also remains a top priority for our government. Recently, we announced an investment \$1.1 million for 29 teacher-led projects through the Teacher Innovation and Support Fund. This will open a space for ideas brought forward by teachers and advance innovative projects in classrooms.***

***A strong and collaborative education system is the foundation of our province's future. The program will help support student success, encourage innovation and***

**build brighter futures for young people across Saskatchewan. Learn more at [www.saskatchewan.ca/teacher-innovation-and-support-fund](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/teacher-innovation-and-support-fund).**

**With Canada Day just around the corner, now is a great time to enjoy everything Saskatchewan has to offer. Whether you're camping, glamping, hiking or spending fun days at the lake, there's no shortage of ways to make new memories with family and friends and experience the beauty of nature. You can visit [www.saskparks.tourismsaskatchewan.com](http://www.saskparks.tourismsaskatchewan.com) to check out upcoming events and programs.**

**As we move into summer months, I want to wish you all a safe and meaningful Canada Day, and a fun, relaxing season ahead! If you ever need help, have questions or want to share your ideas, my constituency office is always here for you. You can contact my constituency office at [ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net](mailto:ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net) or call 306.651.7100. We look forward to hearing from you.**

#### **DISCOVER SASK PARKS: JUNE 25 - JULY 9**



**Visitors can enjoy an entire summer of camping, glamping, hiking and fun at the lake in Saskatchewan Provincial Parks. There is also engaging family programming scheduled throughout the week.**

**Take a moment to create new memories and experience nature to the fullest. Here are a few special events occurring over the next two weeks; all are free with a valid**

**Park Entry Permit:** Check out all of the events in the [full news release](#): [Discover Sask Parks: June 25 - July 9 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

#### **CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 17 TO JUNE 23, 2025**

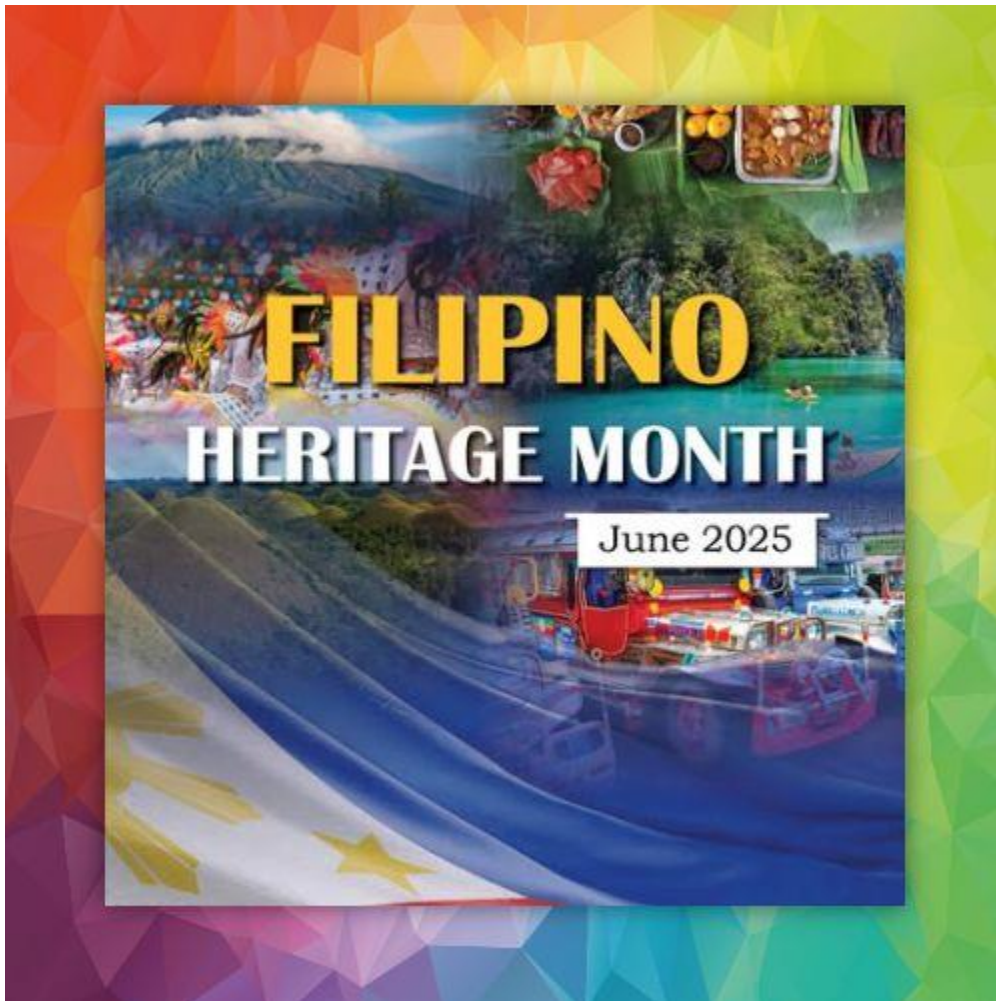


**Conditions across the province were variable this past week, with some regions receiving limited rainfall and others experiencing heavy storms that brought wind, significant rain and hail resulting in damage to crops, buildings and machinery. Producers continue to assess crops for hail recovery which varies based on the type of crop and its developmental stage.**

**The northwest region received limited rainfall. Areas in the west-central and pockets in other regions received significant rainfall. The Macklin area received the highest rainfall at 108 millimeters (mm) recorded for the past week followed by the Wilkie area at 107 mm. The Semans area reported 99 mm and the Luseland area reported 96 mm for the week.**

[Crop Report for the Period June 17 to June 23, 2025 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

## **FILIPINO HERITAGE MONTH**



**This month, we celebrate the culture, contributions and the vibrant, growing community of Filipinos in Saskatchewan and across Canada.**

**SASKATOONING THIS JULY!**





**July in Saskatoon is buzzing with energy, from festivals and live music to sports and city-wide celebrations! Check out Discover Saskatoon's latest blog to discover everything happening this month.**

<https://www.discoversaskatoon.com/.../saskatooning-this-july>

**LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO INCLUDE**



### Family Fun Saskatoon Weekend Guide



## WEEKEND GUIDE

Let's JUMP into summer vacation. We are crossing our fingers for some nice weather this weekend. If you're looking for some fun with your kids, we have some ideas!

- \* Big Bounce is coming to Saskatoon this weekend. Get ready to dance, climb, slide and of course BOUNCE.

- \* On Friday, celebrate Nutrien Wonderhub's 6th Birthday Bash!

**\* Spend your weekend at the Manitou Beach Chainsaw Carving Event! This is a professional chainsaw carving event with amazing carvers, and fun throughout the weekend!**

**Find out what else you can do on**

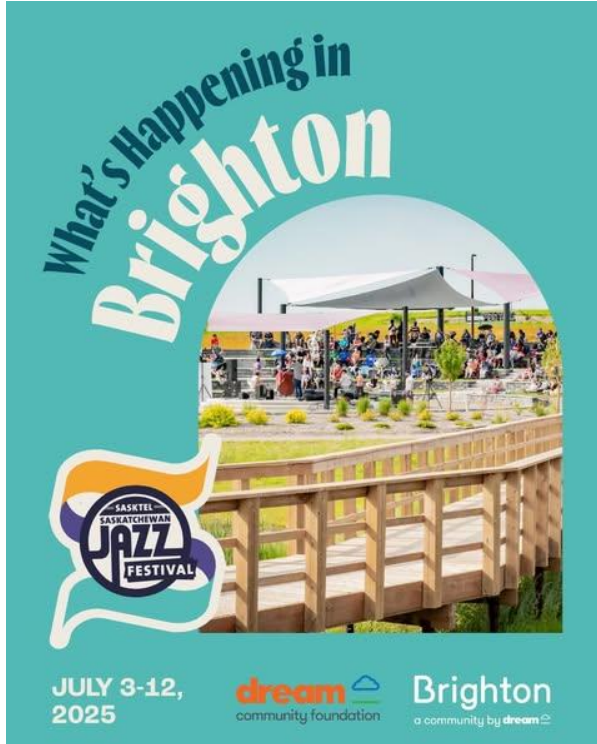
**here:** <https://www.familyfuncanada.com/saskatoon/weekend-guide/>

### **Canada Day Saskatoon 2025**



It will be another great celebration with entertainment, face painting, balloon fun, games & Activities, Jumpy Toys, Children's Programming and of course fireworks! Check it all out [here](#).

### **Check out what's happening in Brighton Community**



Last year the Brighton community had an incredible time at the Wetlands Amphitheatre

in Brighton, and this year they're bringing back the same incredible experience! On July 3 & 4 the Wetlands Amphitheatre in Brighton will host a total of 5 shows as part of our Neighbourhood Pop-Up Series. All shows are free to attend and feature Saskatchewan artists. If you've never been to the Wetlands Amphitheatre in Brighton before, be sure to check it out. It's a beautiful spot for a summertime concert! A special thanks to the Community of Brighton and the Dream Community Foundation for their support of this series.

Plus, we're also helping you get there easier — our Brighton Bus provided by SGI will operate on July 3 and 4, providing free transportation to and from the site. To learn more about the Brighton shows and shuttle service, visit [saskjazz.com](http://saskjazz.com).

[Brighton Facebook](#)

### Check out the great attractions at the Saskatoon Zoo



BIG NEWS from the wild side!! Our brand-new ZOOventure programs are ready to roll - and they're wilder than ever! In Un-bear-liveable Bears you will learn all about our fur-tastic friends - what they eat, how they live and why they matter. It's the grr-eatest way to bring learning to life! 🐻🐻 Now open for booking on our website [www.saskatoonzoosociety.ca/zoventures/](http://www.saskatoonzoosociety.ca/zoventures/). These special programs are available July and August only, so don't miss out!!!

### Kids in the Park









Spray pads are open for the season and operate from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. daily!

💧 Visit [saskatoon.ca/spraypads](https://www.saskatoon.ca/spraypads) for locations. ☀️

<https://www.saskatoon.ca/.../spray-pads-open-sunday-june...>

#### Saskatoon EX



Ready for nonstop thrills and seriously outrageous fun?

[Saskatoon EX](#)

Get your tickets now at [saskatoonex.com/admission](https://saskatoonex.com/admission)

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[Province Exempts the Canada Disability Benefit from Income Assistance Programs | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Clearing the Way with Ditch Mowing and Hay Salvage | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Saskatchewan Wildfire Update - June 25 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)



[Saskatchewan Celebrates National Indigenous History Month | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)



[New Businesses in Sask Parks Enhance Visitor Experience | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)



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[A Journey Through Time Awaits You at the T. Rex Discovery Centre | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)



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[First Nations and Métis Organizations Receiving more than \\$107 Million in Gaming Payments in 2025-26 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

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[Crown Sector Delivered Quality Services And Value For Saskatchewan In 2024-25 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[SaskPower Delivers Record Infrastructure Investments in 2024-25 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Lotteries and Gaming Saskatchewan Delivers Record Payments and Dividends | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[SaskWater Delivers Record Revenue Results for 2024-25 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[SGI Delivers Steady Fiscal Management in 2024-25 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Delivering Growth Through Collaboration and Innovation: SaskTel Reports Net Income of \\$82.2 Million in 2024-25 | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

[Delivering for Customers, Communities and Saskatchewan: SaskEnergy 2024-25 Annual Report | News and Media | Government of Saskatchewan](#)

## **THOUGHT OF THE DAY**



**KEEP IN TOUCH**



*I appreciate the many opportunities to make a positive difference in my constituency and our province. Your phone calls, letters, and emails make a big difference in keeping me informed on the issues that matter to you.*

***If you would like me to recognize anyone or have your event mentioned in this newsletter, please don't hesitate to call or email me.***

***"From a Provincial Point of View" is a weekly message from Ken Cheveldayoff, MLA Saskatoon Willowgrove. Your opinions are important and your letters, emails, and phone calls on any issues relating to the provincial government are welcomed.***

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