Check out what's happening in Saskatoon Willowgrove and throughout the Province!

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SASKATCHEWAN IS OFF TO A STRONG START IN 2019



Despite challenging world resource prices and national headwinds, Saskatchewan pulled through and created nearly 11,000 new jobs this past year.

Our province has seen strong job gains for the fifth month in a row, and it's particularly encouraging to see significant growth in full-time employment.

Mosaic recently signed an agreement with China's largest agricultural inputs company to buy even more Saskatchewan potash. Meanwhile, Husky has announced a new SAGD project in Spruce Lake using industry-leading thermal extraction processes to recover heavy oil and reduce emissions. Both projects are great news for Saskatchewan's resource industries.

The start of another new year brings growing opposition to federal government policies that are hurting our resource sectorin Saskatchewan. In fact, hundreds of people recently braved bitterly cold conditions to participate in a Rally for Resources at the Legislative Building in Regina. Those in attendance voicedtheir support for greater market access for Western Canadian oil.

Addressing the root cause of the current energy crisis won't happen until market access is enhanced and investor confidence is restored. Your Saskatchewan Party government is standing up for Saskatchewan by fighting the imposition of a carbon tax, Bills C-69 and C-48, and calling on the federal government to build pipelines so our energy sector can regain certainty and receive fair value for Canadian resources.

Without new pipeline capacity, demand for rail transportation will continue increasing to record levels, which will increase transportation costs for Western Canadian oil producers as well as all other rail-dependent industries, such as mining and agriculture.

Unless pipeline access to Canadian tidewater ports can be secured, producers will be forced to continue to sell into a glutted United States market that routinely prices Canadian oil at a significant discount to the world price.

A lack of market access leads to price discounts that are estimated to cost Saskatchewan's oil producers billions of dollars in revenues per year, and cost the Government of Saskatchewan hundreds of millions in lost royalties.

This has to change.

While the federal government has promised to force a carbon tax on Saskatchewan in 2019, our government will be fighting back in the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal. Our constitutional court challenge of the federal carbon tax will be heard next month.

Saskatchewan is starting the new year from a position of strength with a growing population, a growing number of jobs, and a 3-year plan that remains on track to balance the budget. In

2019, we will continue to stand up for our province's economy and resource sector in order to maintain and build on the quality of life Saskatchewan people expect and deserve.

#### SASKATCHEWAN HIGHWAY PATROL WELCOMES SIX NEW RECRUITS



Six new officers join the Saskatchewan Highway Patrol after graduating from its recruit training program last month. The new recruits will join detachments in Regina, Lloydminster and Prince Albert.

"Highway patrol officers are providing valuable support to the RCMP and municipal police services," Highways and Infrastructure Minister Lori Carr said. "We are pleased to add six new officers as they will improve response times for emergency calls and the valuable service the Saskatchewan Highway Patrol provides."

The Saskatchewan Highway Patrol is made up of special constables with the authority to enforce the Criminal Code, federal, provincial and municipal statutes relating to road transportation and the licensing, registration and operation of vehicles.

Read the entire news release here.

#### **RECORD \$12 MILLION FOR CROP RESEARCH INVESTED**



January 16, Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Lawrence MacAulay and Saskatchewan Agriculture Minister David Marit announced more than \$12 million in funding for 44 crop-related research projects through Saskatchewan's Agriculture Development Fund (ADF) and the Strategic Research Initiative (SRI).

The ADF and SRI programs are supported through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a five-year, \$388 million investment in strategic initiatives for Saskatchewan agriculture by the federal and provincial governments.

"Our government is investing in programs that support the innovative and sustainable growth of the Canadian agricultural sector," said MacAulay. "This funding in crop research will provide Canadian farmers, producers, and agribusinesses with the knowledge and technologies they need to compete globally and boost their bottom lines."

"By investing in crop-related research, we're investing in the future of Saskatchewan's agriculture industry," Marit said. "The projects we're investing in today consist of a variety of fields of study, including herbicide resistance, pest control, crop breeding and much more. Not only do these projects enhance our industry by creating more opportunities for producers and agribusinesses, they cement our province as a leader in agriculture research."

Click<u>here</u> to read more.

# WINTER BLUES CAN BE REAL



Blue Monday might be a busted myth, but the winter blues can be real. Anxiety and depression are common emotions experienced during the holiday or winter season.

HealthLine 811 registered psychiatric nurses and registered social workers can offer advice to help manage your current situation, provide support, and give you information about resources in your community.

HealthLine 811 is available 24/7, free of charge with translation services available in over 100 languages. Call HealthLine at 811 or click <u>here</u> for information.

# \$5.5 MILLION IN FUNDING FOR LIVESTOCK RESEARCH ANNOUNCED



Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Lawrence MacAulay and Saskatchewan Agriculture Minister David Marit announced more than \$5.5 million in funding for 34 livestock and forage-related research projects through Saskatchewan's Agriculture Development Fund (ADF) and the Strategic Field Program (SFP).

The ADF and SFP are supported through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership, a five-year, \$388 million investment in strategic initiatives for Saskatchewan agriculture by the federal and provincial governments.

"Our government supports the growth of an innovative, competitive, and market-oriented Canadian agriculture sector," MacAulay said. "This funding will allow for vital advancements in agricultural research that will support new discoveries in our livestock and forage industries that will benefit farmers, producers, and agribusinesses in Saskatchewan and all across the country."

"By funding research here in Saskatchewan, we're not only committing to the biosciences sector, we're investing in the future of our producers and agribusinesses," Marit said. "ADF support is granted to projects that focus on areas of concern to Saskatchewan producers, and by supporting this research we're investing in the future of our industry."

Read the entire news release here.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



The Willowgrove outdoor rink is a hub of activity in our community thanks to many volunteers. A GoFundMe page has been started in hopes of raising \$40,000. Click <u>here</u> to read more or to donate.

# SWINGING WITH THE STARS JANUARY 26TH AT TCU PLACE



Saturday, January 26, local celebrities take to the stage at TCU Place in support of the Breast Health Centre. If you're looking to give back to the community, get your tickets to this fantastic event and watch the cities top 8 celebrities dance off in Saskatchewan's largest charity competition. http://swtsevents.com/saskatoon/buy-tickets

Learn more about Swinging with the Stars, getting tickets and voting online here.

# HAVE YOU SIGNED YOUR ORGAN DONOR CARD?



I encourage you to check Saskatchewan Organ Donation Awareness Facebook Page <u>here.</u> The Saskatchewan Organ Donation Awareness promotes public awareness of organ donation, and provide information related to organ donation. They encourage everyone to sign their donor cards.

# BREAKING BARRIERS: A JOURNEY TO MENTAL WELLNESS -JANUARY 31



Breaking Barriers, a journey to Mental Wellness, will be held Thursday, January 31 from 1 pm - 11 pm at Prairieland Park, 503 Ruth Street West, Saskatoon.

Breaking Barriers is a conference and gala dedicated to understanding the challenges to mental wellness in agriculture sectors, Indigenous communities, and the resource industry. The proceeds from the event will empower <u>471 Recovery Resources</u> to make more connections and provide greater connectivity to resources in rural and remote locations.

<u>471 Recovery Resources</u> was founded in 2017 by <u>Jess Tetu</u>. It was seeded with the intent of connecting individuals who are seeking support for loved ones struggling with mental health and addictions challenges.

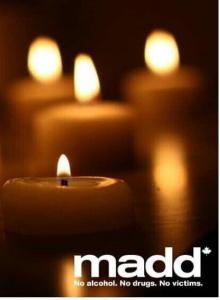
Go to :<u>www.bridgeshealth.com/our-events</u> for tickets and information.

#### SASKATCHEWAN MEMORIAL MONUMENT FOR VICTIMS OF IMPAIRED DRIVING



MADD Saskatchewan Chapters and Community Leaders are creating a Memorial Monument to honour the province's victims of impaired driving. The Monument, to be located at Saskatoon City Hall, will be unveiled at a special ceremony on May 25, 2019.

If your family has suffered the loss of a loved one as a result of impaired driving, and you would like to have his or her name memorialized on the monument, contact Gillian Phillips, MADD Canada Victim Services Manager at 1-866-461-4077 or gphillips@madd.ca. The deadline to submit names is May 5, 2019.



Bonny Stevenson, "The MADD Memorial will be beautiful. A great tribute to our loved ones."

Global News, January 18, Meaghan Craig: Saskatchewan families asked to submit names for victims of impaired driving monument. Families in Saskatchewan who have suffered the loss of a loved one due to impaired driving are asked to submit names to MADD by May 5, 2019.

Read the article and watch the Global News Video here.

#### **RBC TRAINING GROUND PROGRAM - SASKATOON FEBRUARY 23**



The RBC Training Ground Program is once again going to be held in Saskatoon. RBC Training Ground is a talent identification and athlete funding program designed to uncover athletes with Olympic potential and provide them with the high-performance sport resources they need to achieve their podium dreams.

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At RBC, the Olympic Games represent excellence, teamwork, diversity and commitment - the same values held true for its employees, clients and communities. That connection is a major reason why RBC has been the longest-standing partner of the Canadian Olympic Team, since 1947. This commitment to the Olympic movement can be seen through the RBC Olympians program, as well as through its support for the next generation of Olympic hopefuls.

The event in Saskatoon will be held on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Henk Ruys Soccer Centre. This year we're also very pleased to be adding a second event in Saskatchewan in Regina on April 27<sup>th</sup>. If you know an athlete who would like to participate or for more information and to register please visit: <a href="https://www.cbc.ca/olympics/trainingground/#welcome">https://www.cbc.ca/olympics/trainingground/#welcome</a>

The age range of 14 to 25 years aligns with long-term athlete development stages and the Canadian Sport for Life program. This age range allows us to capture those early and late stage Olympic

potential athletes. The probability of identifying an athlete below or above these age ranges, within our current RBC Training Ground partner sports, is very small.

Through its partnership with the Canadian Olympic Committee, RBC helps to provide a strong foundation for athletes to train, compete and succeed on the world stage. RBC Training Ground aims to discover young athletes with podium potential and support them with funding and resources to fuel their Olympic dreams through the RBC Future Olympians program.

Each sport requires different skills and the performance benchmarks vary by NSO and take age and gender into account. Athletes that participate in a Regional Qualifying Event will receive a custom report card and access to an online portal with sport-specific training tips. Visit <u>RBCTrainingGround.ca</u> and go to 'testing to compare results against the benchmarks.

To learn more about RBC Training Ground, click here.

#### HELP HUMBOLDT WIN AN NHL GAME AND \$250,000!



Premier Scott Moe, "I can't think of a better place than Humboldt that represents the heart of hockey in Canada to win this competition. To make sure they make it into the final round, share your story and photos of the Elgar Petersen Arena and our <u>Humboldt Broncos Jr 'A' Hockey Club</u> at the link <u>HERE</u>.

# **RENOVATIONS COMPLETE AT DENE HIGH SCHOOL IN LA LOCHE**



Finance Minister Donna Harpauer joined Northern Lights School Division students, staff, families and community members today in La Loche to mark the completion of school renovations as the community continues to heal.

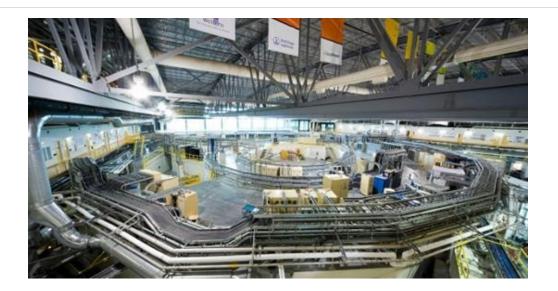
The renovations are in response to the tragic shooting that occurred at Dene High School in January 2016 and include the front entrance, staff and administration rooms, junior science room and the student lounge and adjacent washrooms.

"Our government acknowledged how important it was to work with the school division and the community to develop a plan to renovate Dene High School," Harpauer said. "This is a significant moment for the entire community, and for our province. It is our hope that the reopening of Dene High School will provide the students, teachers and community with hope, continued healing and renewal."

Click here to read the entire news release.

# SCIENTISTS USE SASKATOON SYNCHROTRON FOR ATOM-BY-ATOM LOOK AT DEADLY HEART DEFECT

Photo credit and story (Canadian Light Source Inc, cc-by-sa-2.0 / CBC NEWS)



A research team from British Columbia is using the Canadian Light Source (CLS) synchrotron in Saskatoon to understand a genetic mutation that can create an irregular heartbeat.

Known as heart arrhythmia, irregular heartbeats can come with serious consequences and kills about 40,000 Canadians a year.

One form of the issue is caused by a genetic defect in a protein called calmodulin, which regulates the signals that tell the heart to beat.

Read the entire CBC story here.

# **CONGRATULATIONS LYLE AND LINDA STEWART!**



Congratulations to Lyle and Linda Stewart who are this year's recipients of the Saskatchewan Livestock Association Scroll of Honour. The award was presented at Saskatchewan's Premier Beef Industry Conference.

Adrienne Ivey, "Lyle and Linda have been a driving force in Agriculture in Saskatchewan and across Canada. He is an inspiration, and has dedicated his life to Saskatchewan and Agriculture. Personally, I don't know anyone more deserving."

I join Premier Scott Moe, my colleagues and many across the province as we congratulate the Stewarts on this well deserved honour.

# WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE SIGNING UP FOR A GYM MEMBERSHIP



The Financial and Consumer Affairs Authority (FCAA) sees an increased number of consumer inquiries about gym memberships this time of year.

Too often, consumers do not ask the right questions before signing up for a gym membership. These inquiries are usually related to misunderstandings about what is included in the membership package, cancellation processes and unexpected fees for extra programs or services. Here are some tips to consider:

- Read the entire contract to ensure you understand the terms. By law, the contract cannot be for longer than two years.
- Find out the total cost, including fees for programs and services, and ask questions if you are unsure.
- You have the right to cancel your contract within seven business days of receiving a written copy and you may also be able to cancel if:
  - $\circ$  you move more than 30 km away from your home gym or one of its other locations;
  - there are material, physical, medical or mental changes supported by your medical practitioner that would make gym participation unreasonable; and
  - there are material changes in the services being provided, or if the facility moves more than 10 km from its former location.

For more information about fitness/gym memberships, visit our website at

http://fcaa.gov.sk.ca/consumers-investors-pension-plan-members/consumers/consumers-of-goods-and-

services/fitness-gym-memberships.

Contact Consumer Protection Division

If you are having problems with your gym contract, contact us toll free at 1-877-880-5550 or by email at <a href="mailto:consumerprotection@gov.sk.ca">consumerprotection@gov.sk.ca</a>.

# REMINDER - CHECK OUT THE MANY ACTIVITIES AT NUTRIEN WINTERSHINES JANUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 3!



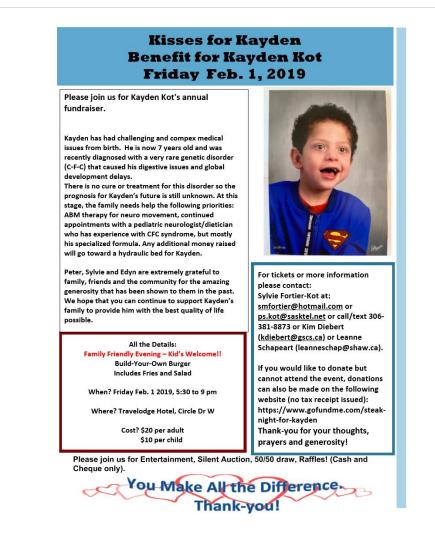
Nutrien WinterShines will take place January 26 to February 3, 2019. Giving life and meaning to our winter city, this community event is Saskatchewan's Premier Winter Festival.

Events are headquartered at the Saskatoon Farmers' Market for all ages with various interests in mind.

Activities include lce Carving and a Snow Park for children of all ages. A winter cuisine will tantalize the taste buds during the Soup Cook Offs, as well as local entertainment to fill the air with music. Other features include large outdoor igloo, pony rides, sleigh rides and more!

Check out <a href="http://www.nutrienwintershines.ca">www.nutrienwintershines.ca</a> for all 94+ event details!

# IN CASE YOU MISSED THIS LAST WEEK ... KAYDEN KOT FUNDRAISER FEBRUARY 1



One final reminder this week to ask you to consider supporting this special young man in our constituency.

Please consider donating to Kayden's health fund so that his family can continue to provide him with the best quality of life possible. All thoughts and prayers for the Kot family are also appreciated.

If you are able to help in any way by contributing to the silent auction or by purchasing tickets to this event, it would be greatly appreciated. This year it's a bit of a different approach- it's a family night, at the Travelodge hotel. The organizers are doing a build a burger night. Chicken fingers for the kids. Please try to attend!

# IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO HIGHLIGHT IN THIS NEWSLETTER, PLEASE LET US KNOW!

Provincial Point of View is a great way to connect with our community. We appreciate the opportunity to share the successes we see in our constituency and highlight the many events happening in our community. If you have a suggestion for items you would like highlighted in this newsletter, please email: <u>ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net</u>

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Success

is achieved and maintained by those who TRY and keep TRYING.

- W. Clement Stone

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#### KEEP IN TOUCH

I appreciate the many opportunities to make a positive difference in my constituency. 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.

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