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Provincial Point of View

January 5, 2016
Happy New Year!



Happy New Year to you and your family! I hope you had a Christmas filled with joy and happiness and enjoyed the company of family and friends. Trish and I enjoyed hosting our annual Christmas reception at our home on December 18th. We appreciated all the people that stopped by and the many responses from those who were unable to attend. I sincerely appreciated the opportunity to visit and celebrate the festive season with all of you.

The New Year is a great time to reflect on the past year and set goals for 2016. May you face your

challenges with courage and confidence, and find immense happiness in all you do.

Trish, Carter, Paige and I wish you everlasting happiness and peace in the new year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO THOSE CELEBRATING UKRAINIAN CHRISTMAS!



Щасливого Різдва і щасливого Нового року to everyone that celebrated Ukrainian Christmas

FUNDRAISER BENEFIT FOR KAYDEN KOTT

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Fundraiser Benefit for Kayden Kot

Kisses and Cuddles for Kayden

Please join us for a Family Friendly evening as we raise funds for the intensive therapies Kayden needs to reach his potential!

Kayden has made great progress since his brain injury and paralysis in 2013. However, he is currently stalled in his global development and needs to return to the States for the treatments that have been such a great help to him in the past. He is now 4 years old – he is not yet walking, talking or eating orally.

Peter, Sylvie and Edyn are extremely grateful to family, friends and the community for the amazing generosity that has been shown to them in the past. We hope that you can continue to support Kayden's family to get the help he needs!



All the Details:
When? Saturday Jan. 23, 2016, 5 to 10 pm
Where? Cathedral of the Holy Family Hall, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon
Cost? \$25/adult, \$10/child under age 12
Admission includes: Buffet meal with kids menu, Program including multi-cultural musical entertainment and kid's activities, childcare provided.

For tickets or more information please contact: Sylvie Fortier-Kot at: smfortier@hotmail.com or ps.kot@sasktel.net or call/text 306-381-8873

If you would like to donate but cannot attend the event, donate through Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation and get a tax receipt: <https://www.canadahelps.org/dn/12317>
Donations can also be made on the following website (no tax receipt issued): <https://www.gofundme.com/kaydenkotfund>
Thank-you for your thoughts, prayers and generosity!

Please join us for Silent Auction, 50/50 draw, Raffles, Cash Bar and Dessert table - All benefiting Kayden's therapy needs!!

You Make All the Difference - Thank-you!

It is a pleasure to have the opportunity to promote this special benefit fundraiser for Kayden Kot in this newsletter. I encourage you to make every effort to attend this fundraiser Saturday, January 23rd, 2016 at Holy Family Cathedral Hall.

Tickets for the family friendly evening - which includes buffet meal, entertainment and kid's activities with childcare - are \$25 per adult and \$10 per child under age 12. There will also be raffles and silent auctions. Ticket payment can be made with cash or cheque made out to Knights of Columbus Council 8215. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, this can be done

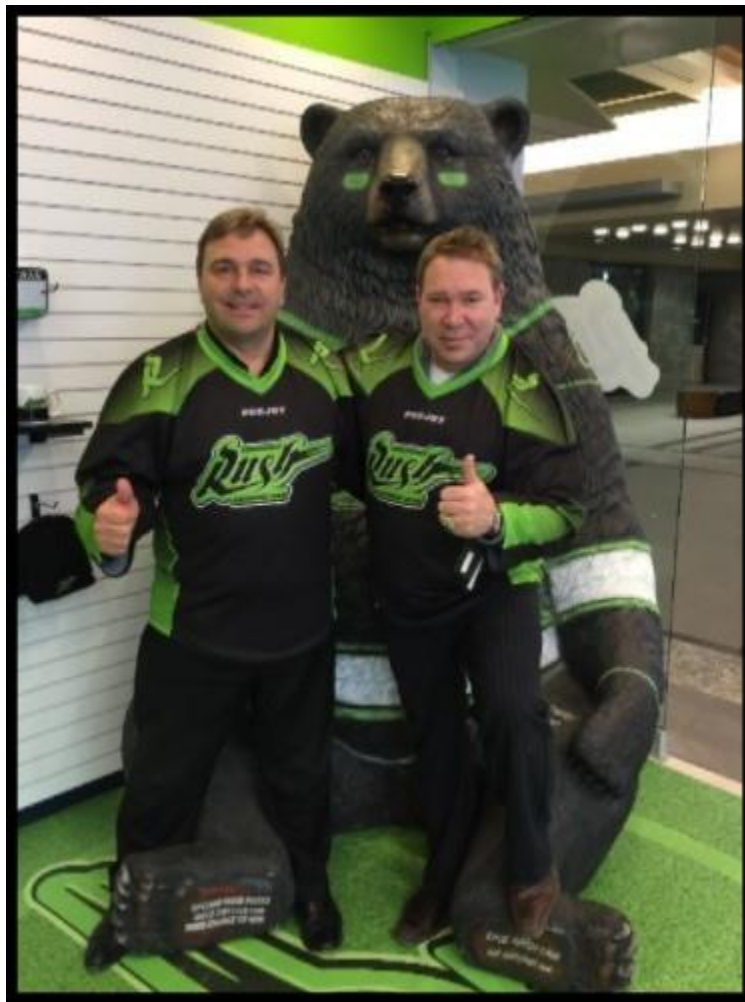
online through the Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation (tax receipt is provided) at <https://www.canadahelps.org/dn/12317> OR at <https://www.gofundme.com/kaydenkotfund> (no tax receipt provided).

Tickets are going fast so don't delay! To purchase tickets, please contact:

Sylvie Fortier-Kot at: smfortier@hotmail.com or call/text 306-381-8873

OR Pete Kot at: ps.kot@sasktel.net or call/text 306-341-3819

SASKATCHEWAN RUSH IS PLAYING IN SASKATOON JANUARY 15!



Pictured above is Ken and Lee Genier, President & General Manager of the Saskatchewan Rush

Excitement is building as Saskatoon gets ready to welcome the Saskatchewan Rush Lacrosse team for their first game in Saskatoon. Their home opener game will be held Friday, January 15 beginning at 7:30 pm. I am looking forward to seeing their second win of the season right here in Saskatoon at SaskTel Centre!

Call 1 306 978 7874 for your home opener starter pack or visit ticketmaster to get your tickets! Click [here](#) for additional information.

POTASHCORP WINTERSHINES - SASKATOON'S WINTER FESTIVAL



Wintershines appeared in the Globe and Mail as one of ten reasons to stay in Canada for your winter Vacation. Read what they had to say ...Winter in the Prairies can be bleak at times, but Saskatoon's Wintershines helps bring some sunshine into the season with a series of fun events. There's an international ice-carving competition and a snow park for families, but the highlight might be the soup cook-off. Saskatoon has one of Canada's most interesting, up-and-coming food scenes and local chefs go head to head in this competition to make the best soup. Anyone and everyone is invited to taste the soups, which every Canadian knows is the perfect food for a cold winter day.

Check out the nine days of snowy fun beginning Saturday, January 23 - Sunday, January 31. Click [here](#) for the events calendar and plan to attend this amazing event in our city!

PREMIER PROCLAIMS YEAR OF SASKATCHEWAN UKRAINIANS



The provincial government is recognizing the many and varied contributions of citizens of Ukrainian descent by designating 2016 as the Year of Saskatchewan Ukrainians.

Premier Brad Wall said the proclamation acknowledges the 125th anniversary of the first wave of Ukrainian immigration to Canada and Saskatchewan and launches anniversary events and celebrations that will occur across the province.

“Ukrainian culture and traditions are deeply embedded in the Saskatchewan mosaic,” Wall said. “Settlers from Ukraine helped build our province, bringing to their new home what our motto proudly proclaims: ‘From Many Peoples, Strength.’ Those traditions manifest themselves today in countless community celebrations, in educational programs, and in the longstanding relationship Saskatchewan enjoys with Ukraine.”

Read the entire news release [here](#)

INDEXATION WILL SAVE SASKATCHEWAN TAXPAYERS \$8.1 MILLION IN 2016

All Saskatchewan income tax brackets and tax credit amounts will go up 1.3 per cent in 2016, matching the national rate of inflation.

“Indexation is part of our government’s ongoing commitment to fairness and competitiveness in taxation,” Finance Minister Kevin Doherty said. “This annual measure helps protect Saskatchewan people from ‘bracket creep’ and keeps more money in their pockets throughout the year.”

Indexation will save Saskatchewan people an estimated \$8.1 million in 2016, and is part of an array of measures aimed at keeping taxes low. Individual taxpayers now pay no Saskatchewan income tax on their first \$19,220 of income while a family of four pays no Saskatchewan income tax on their first \$49,800 of income—the highest tax-free income threshold for a family of four in Canada.

A family of four with \$50,000 annual income, and deducting \$3,000 in child care expenses, has now seen their provincial income tax cut by 100 per cent since 2008—from about \$2,300 to zero provincial income tax in 2016.

“Our government’s various reductions to personal income taxes since 2008 will have saved Saskatchewan people more than \$490 million by the end of 2016,” Doherty said. “Since 2008, about 112,000 low-income Saskatchewan residents have been removed from the tax rolls entirely, and a family of four with \$50,000 income will have saved more than \$21,000 by the end of 2016.”

Click [here](#) to read about measures to reduce your personal income taxes in Saskatchewan

**In the end, it's not the years
in your life that count. It's the
life in your years.**

Abraham Lincoln

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RELEASES**

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

***We will open the book, its pages are blank. We are going to put
words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its
first chapter is New Year's Day"***

Edith Lovejoy Pierce

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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.**

**"From a Provincial Point of View" is a weekly message from Ken
Cheveldayoff, MLA Saskatoon Silver Springs. 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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