Check out What's happening in Saskatoon Silver Springs and throughout the Province!

Provincial Point of View

Our thoughts & prayers are with all the evacuees and everyone helping to fight fires in northern Saskatchewan July 9, 2015

FIRES IN NORTHERN SASKATCHEWAN AFFECT AREA ALMOST 25 TIMES THE SIZE OF SASKATOON



Fifty four communities are under full or partial evacuation due to the wildfire threat or smoke. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the thousands of people who have been evacuated due to the fires. To the many courageous firefighters, volunteers and everyone who are working vigilantly to help save homes and communities in the north, thank you. We pray for your safety as you continue to courageously battle the fires that have affected so many.

"Whenever there is an event like this the budget is not the thing to look at because the budget becomes whatever it takes for the appropriate response, whatever it takes to protect people first then property, buildings, value assets as they call them. And we'll

find those dollars," Premier Brad Wall said.

Please not the following general Contact information:

- Emergency situations 911 should always be your first call in an emergency
- Government of Saskatchewan website www.saskatchewan.ca
- For critical information on emergency events as they are occurring visit
 SaskAlert www.saskatchewan.ca
- For daily wildfire reports, fire bans, air quality information visit Wildfire
 Management http://www.environment.gov.sk.ca/fire or call 1-800-567-4224.
- For smoke and air quality updates www.Firesmoke.ca
- For information on highway closures and travel visit the Highways Hotline http://www.saskatchewan.ca/live/transportation/highway-hotline or call 1-888-335-7623.
- For information regarding impacted campgrounds and parks visit Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport - www.saskparks.net

Red Cross Information

- Inquiry line for evacuees or family members of evacuees is 1.888.953.3463
- For information on becoming a Red Cross volunteer contact: 306.751.1600 in Regina or 306.668.0720 in Saskatoon. You can also visit http://www.redcross.ca/

Donations

- The Salvation Army will accept non-plush toys, colouring books, reading material, etc. They are also looking for donations of shorts, t-shirts, bathing suits, footwear and underwear. Donations can be dropped off at Salvation Army Thrift Stores:
- Prince Albert 900 Central Avenue
 Regina 840 Albert Street / 1711 Dewdney Avenue East
 Saskatoon 410 42nd A. Street East / 3000 Diefenbaker Drive

ADDITIONAL FREE FISHING WEEKEND LATER THIS SUMMER

Due to the wildfire conditions in northern areas of Saskatchewan, an additional free fishing opportunity will be considered later this summer. A date will be confirmed when the wildfire conditions no longer pose a significant threat to northern communities and individuals have returned to their homes.

The current scheduled free fishing weekend will still proceed on July 11 and 12 as listed in the 2015 Angler's Guide. However, anglers are asked to avoid all wildfire-affected lakes and communities in northern Saskatchewan.

Click here to read the entire news release

A TASTE OF SASKATCHEWAN JULY 14 - 19



"A Taste of Saskatchewan" presented by Conexus Credit Union is celebrating its 20th Anniversary in Kiwanis park, located between the Delta Bessborough Hotel and the Bandshell.

This is always a fantastic event to attend if you want to sample Saskatoon's festival of fabulous food. 30 of Saskatoon's finest restaurants will be serving their favourite dishes so it is indeed a great opportunity to enjoy old favourites or try something new.

The event also features over 55 of Saskatchewan's premier bands and performers during the six day festival. There is a great variety of music for everyone to enjoy from Country, Rock, Celtic, Blues, Reggae, Salsa, Jazz and Pop giving everyone a "taste" of Saskatchewan's musical talent.

See our coming events for the link to additional information.

NEW ONLINE RESOURCE FOR CONDOMINIUM STAKEHOLDERS

The number of condominium corporations in Saskatchewan has more than doubled over the past decade, creating the need for an easily accessible resource for owners, boards, developers, and others interested in the condominium sector.

"There is strong support for an online resource in the condominium sector," Justice Minister and Attorney General Gordon Wyant said. "Our government is committed to a citizen-first approach by making sure this information is easy to obtain and answers frequent questions that arise in the condominium community."

Click <u>here</u> to read the entire news release as well as how to access information regarding Condominium Properties

WOULD YOUR CHILDREN LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EXHIBITION PARADE?



The Exhibition Day Parade will be held Tuesday, August 4 at 10:00 am. Once again, Saskatoon Silver Springs will have an entry in the parade. We will be riding on an antique fire truck owned by Ken Sawatsky and this is your invitation to join me!

The parade is always a lot of fun for the kids as they wave to the hundreds of people that line the streets.

If your children are interested in riding along with me, please email ken.cheveldayoff.mla@sasktel.net with your contact information and we'll get back to you with details. Please note, space is limited.

INDEPENDENT TEACHER REGULATORY BOARD CREATED

Education Minister Don Morgan announced that The Registered Teachers

Act (the Act) has been proclaimed into force, which establishes the Saskatchewan Professional Teachers Regulatory Board (SPTRB). Under the Act, the SPTRB will be responsible for teacher certification and discipline in Saskatchewan. This will provide for a single, independent organization to administer the regulatory process.

"Our government is pleased that we have moved one step closer to providing Saskatchewan teachers with the same authority and responsibility as other self-regulated professions in the province, resulting in a more transparent and clear process," Morgan said. "The education stakeholders who have worked with us throughout this transition deserve credit for having the leadership and vision to come together and help establish the SPTRB, which will not only protect the integrity of the teaching profession but continue to protect our most valuable resource – the students."

Click here to see the nine person board of directors appointed to govern the SPTRB

COMING EVENTS

Theatre in the Park 2015 - Hercules

When: July 3 - 24

Where: in over 20 different parks around Saskatoon

Note: Theatre in the Park is Saskatchewan's first FREE live professional outdoor

theatre ... suitable for all ages

Click here to find a location near you!

Downtown Sidewalk Sale

When: July 9 - 11

Where: 2nd Avenue and 21st Street Click here for additional information

Canada Remembers Our Heroes Air Show

When: July 11 & 12, 11 am - 6 pm daily Where: Auto Clearing Motor Speedway Click here for additional information

Hands on Ministries Golf Tournament

When: July 13

Where: Willows Golf Course

Click here for additional information

A Taste of Saskatchewan

When: July 14 - 19

Where: Kiwanis Memorial Park

Click here for additional information including the menu

One Voice Fundraiser - The Neural Health Project

Date: July 24

Click <u>here</u> for additional information

Potash Corp Fringe Theatre Festival

When: July 30 - August 8

Click here for additional information

Saskatoon Exhibition

When: August 4 - 9

Click here to see the list of activities

JUST THE LINKS

SASKATCHEWAN ARTISTS AND AUDIENCES BENEFIT FROM CULTURE ON THE GO
CONSTRUCTION ONE STEP CLOSER: PARTNER TEAM CHOSEN FOR THE NEW
SASKATCHEWAN HOSPITAL NORTH BATTLEFORD

FOREST FIRE STATEMENT: OFFICE OF THE FIRE COMMISSIONER

WATER SECURITY AGENCY RELEASES WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

PROVINCE SUPPORTS LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME PEOPLE

FLEXIBILITY AND OPTIONS FOR PRODUCERS DEALING WITH DRY CONDITIONS

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

~ Dr. Seuss

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KEEP IN TOUCH

I appreciate the many opportunities to make a positive difference in our 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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