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Provincial Point of View

June 17, 2015

An exciting day in our constituency today!

IT WAS AN EXCITING DAY TODAY AS WILLOWGROVE & HOLY FAMILY SCHOOLS HELD THEIR GRAND OPENING CELEBRATIONS



Today, June 17 was an exciting day in our constituency. I had the pleasure of joining the Honourable Don Morgan, the Honourable Gord Wyant, Willowgrove School Principal Shane Armstrong, Holy Family School Principal Connie Tenaski, SPS board Chair Ray Morrison, GSCS Board Chair Diane Boyko, Mayor Don Atchison, teachers, students and many others in attendance to celebrate this long anticipated event.

As the MLA for this area, I was proud to take part in the grand opening of the two new magnificent schools. It was especially great to see the excitement of the children. I can say that the integrated facility which also includes a childcare and multipurpose community rooms will have a positive effect on everyone today as well as future generations.

Our government listened to the needs of our residents and to ensure we are meeting the demands of growth, we have invested in this joint use school that will give our students a great place to learn while providing a fantastic environment and new opportunities that will prepare them for a bright future.

I was pleased to have the opportunity to recognize the amazing work between the Willowgrove and Holy Family schools, the public and Catholic school boards and their staff, architectural firms, consultants and the entire community.

The schools are outstanding facilities. When planning started for this massive project several years ago, the goal was to design and build a school that would give everyone access to a modern, safe and state-of-the-art building. Mission accomplished! Congratulations to everyone involved.

I encourage you to read the government news release, Saskatoon Celebrates Grand Opening of Joint Schools by clicking [here](#).

THANK YOU FOR JOINING ME AT PICNIC IN THE PARK!



Over 1200 people attended the "Picnic in the Park" last week at the Forestry Farm. It was a fantastic day ... beautiful weather, great food and entertainment. The best part was visiting with people in our community.

The picnic kicked off with Evgeny Miroshnichenko proudly singing O Canada as he held his citizenship papers signed by Premier Wall. Musical entertainment included the incredible talent of Jake Decker, The Nobles, Saskatchewan Express and Idyll Wild.

The children had so much fun and were entertained by the popular fire truck rides with Ken Sawatsky, New Kids on the Block puppets from Saskatoon Association of Community Living, Balloon Fun and face painting.

I am very grateful to our many sponsors that helped make the picnic such a success. We are always fortunate to have dedicated and hardworking volunteers and this year was no exception. Thank you to each and every one that helped out, especially the WUHCA parents and children that worked so hard throughout the event to raise money for their playground.

Thank you again to everyone for coming out to enjoy the day with us.



FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND!



Many Canadians observe Father's Day on the third Sunday of June. It is a day for people to show their appreciation for fathers and father figures in their lives.

A Father's love lasts a lifetime. I hope all dads enjoy a fabulous Father's Day this weekend. No matter how old we are, we remember our fathers. I no longer have my father with me but I always remember him for giving me the greatest gift anyone could give another person ... he believed in me.

There is no better honour in the world than to be called "Dad". I look forward to spending a great day with Carter and Paige on Sunday.

ANOTHER NEW BUSINESS - MY COMMUNITY SASKATOON



It's always great to meet new people and see the confidence entrepreneurs have in our growing city. I'm sure many of you have enjoyed the publication, "My Community Saskatoon" that has been delivered to mailboxes in our constituency.

I had the pleasure of meeting Gail Hope and Wayne Grier when they stopped by my office recently. I learned quickly that they both have valuable experience regarding building community. They know the value of business and volunteerism and are excited to publish "My Community Saskatoon."

I could easily relate to their experiences growing up in small town Saskatchewan where interaction in the community was part of their upbringing. They have brought that passion into their publication which is a resource for local information along with a fantastic advertising opportunity for businesses.

This is just a delightful publication and I wish Gail and Wayne all the best as they grow their business. For more information and advertising opportunities, I encourage you to call them at 306.361.6397 or check out their website by clicking here: www.mycommunity.biz

SASKATCHEWAN'S POPULATION CONTINUES TO GROW

SASKATCHEWAN KEEPS GROWING

14,273

New residents since April 2014
2nd fastest growth rate in Canada!



Source: Statistics Canada, CANSIM Table 051-0005

Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan continues to be one of the fastest growing provinces in Canada according to new population estimates released today by Statistics Canada.

As of April 1, 2015, there were 1,134,402 people living in Saskatchewan, an increase of 1,762 in the past quarter and an increase of 14,273 in the past year. Saskatchewan had the second highest growth rate among the provinces in the past year and the third highest in the past quarter.

“Even with the challenges of a lower oil price, Saskatchewan continues to grow at a faster pace than most other provinces,” Immigration, Jobs, Skills and Training Minister Jeremy Harrison

said. “Our diverse economy is a tremendous advantage and will help keep Saskatchewan strong.”

Saskatchewan has now had population growth every quarter for the past nine years. That’s the longest period of continuous growth since the late 1970s and early 1980s.

THE STRENGTH OF SASKATCHEWAN IS SHOWN BY THE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE MOVING IN SINCE 2007!



GOVERNMENT PROVIDING \$9 MILLION FOR SASKATCHEWAN ADVANTAGE SCHOLARSHIPS

More than 12,500 students graduating from Grade 12 this spring are now eligible for the \$500 Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship, to help reduce the cost of their post-secondary education. In 2015-16, the provincial government is committing \$9 million toward the scholarship, an increase of \$2.3 million from last year.

“This funding will make post-secondary education more affordable for students by directly reducing the cost of their tuition,” Advanced Education Minister Scott Moe said. “The Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship is an important investment in the students who will keep our province strong in the future.”

The Saskatchewan Advantage Scholarship offers Grade 12 graduates \$500 per year to a lifetime maximum of \$2,000 to be applied to their tuition costs at a Saskatchewan post-secondary

institution. Students have up to 10 years after Grade 12 graduation to use the benefit.

Read the entire news release [here](#)

SASKATCHEWAN HAS THE LOWEST UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN CANADA FOR THE 20TH STRAIGHT MONTH



There are now more people working in Saskatchewan than ever before thanks to our strong and diverse economy.

SASKATCHEWAN REPORTS ON PATIENT FIRST REVIEW PROGRESS

Saskatchewan has made significant progress addressing patient feedback stemming from its ground-breaking 2009 Patient First Review. *A Patient First Review Update* report released June 10 outlines progress and successes, and identifies new health care delivery approaches under consideration by the provincial government.

“We are firmly committed to a health system that puts our patients first, and we’ll continue to ask

for their input and learn from their experiences,” Health Minister Dustin Duncan said. “Much more work is ahead, but a solid foundation is in place to achieve exceptional patient- and family-centred care across our health system.”

Read more [here](#) about the positive changes - notably those in surgical care

JUST THE LINKS

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COMING EVENTS

WUHCA First Annual Arts Show

Date: June 18

When: 7 - 10 pm

Where: #101-407 Ludlow Street

Ticket Information contact social.coordinator@wuhca.ca

ZOOGALA

Date: June 19

When: 6:30 pm - 11:00 pm

Where: Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park and Zoo - Lions Event Pavilion

[Click here for additional information](#)

Downtown Sidewalk Sale

When: July 9 - 11

Where: 2nd Avenue and 21st Street

Click [here](#) for additional information

Hands on Ministries Golf Tournament

When: July 13

Where: Willows Golf Course

Click [here](#) for additional information

One Voice Fundraiser - The Neural Health Project

Date: July 24

Click [here](#) for additional information

SaskTel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival

When: June 25 - July 5

Where: Various venues throughout Saskatoon

For additional details, click [here](#)

Saskatoon Exhibition

When: August 4 - 9

Click [here](#) to see the list of activities

THOUGHT OF THE DAY

F.A.T.H.E.R.S
"F" AITHFUL
"A" LWAYS THERE
"T" TRUSTWORTHY
"H" ONOURING
"E" VER-LOVING
"R" IGHTEOUS
"S" SUPORTIVE
Author Unknown

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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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