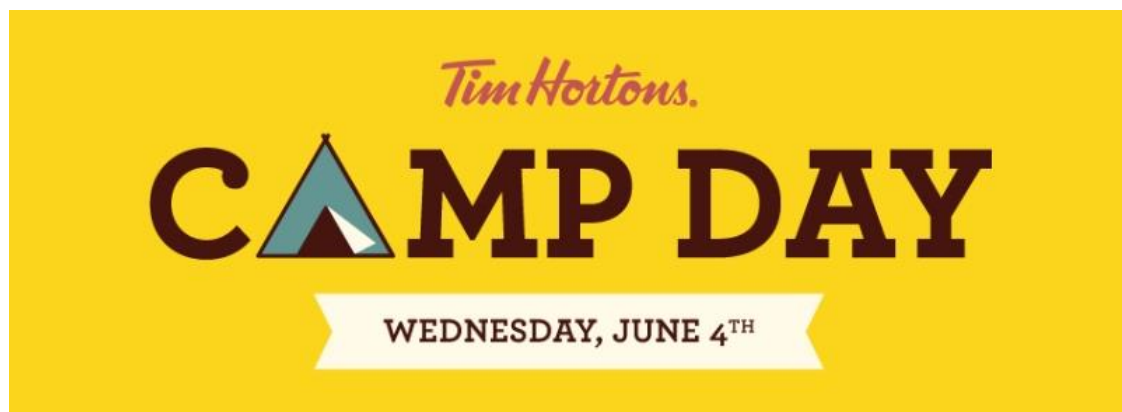


Check out what's happening in Saskatoon Silver Springs and throughout the Province!



## Provincial Point of View

### June 4, 2014



Today will be an incredible day at Tim Horton's! I encourage everyone to go out and enjoy a coffee at your local Tim Hortons, knowing that 100% of the proceeds will be donated to the Tim Horton Children's Foundation.

I know the generosity of our community will be evident today. Your efforts will generate funds that will help to send over 17,000 children to camp this year. The programs are designed to change the way economically disadvantaged young people think about themselves and the opportunities that exist for them.

Special thanks to all of the owners, customers and volunteers who continue to participate in this fantastic fundraiser and make the dream of going to camp a reality for so many children!



**Our annual Picnic in the Park is just a few weeks away! Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the picnic at the Forestry Farm Park & Zoo on June 19!**

**Watch for invitations in your mail box soon. I look forward to seeing you and your family.**

**HUMANITY FIRST CANADA PLANT-A-TREE CAMPAIGN**



**Sunday, June 1, we enjoyed a beautiful Saskatoon day as we gathered at the Health Science Building at the University of Saskatchewan to mark the beginning of Humanity First Canada's Plant-a-Tree campaign.**

**It was indeed an honour to help launch such a worthy enterprise, along with Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, Vaughn Solomon Schofield. Also in attendance was MP Brad Trost and colleagues, the Honourable Gord Wyant and the Honourable Rob Norris.**

**One thousand trees will be planted by the youth association of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, under the supervision of the Meewasin Valley Authority. Young people and tree planting go together naturally and we appreciate the efforts of this enthusiastic group of young adults that will make a difference now and in the future. The trees provide important habitat for animals and birds and a beautiful place for us to connect with nature. The incredible Meewasin River Valley will be made even more beautiful with this project.**

**As Minister of Environment, I certainly understand and appreciate the importance trees play in producing the air we breathe, and a subsequent role in keeping our air clean. These young trees will grow and contribute to the quality of our lives for many years to come.**

**It is so special that these young people will put down their roots in our city and province and will**

thrive here, just like the trees they will be planting.

### **SPEED REDUCTIONS SET FOR TWO HIGH COLLISION HIGHWAYS**

The provincial government is taking steps to improve safety along Highway 1 East of Regina and Highway 12 at Martensville.

Effective on June 3, the speed limit at these two locations will be reduced to 90 km/hr as a pilot project. The new speed limit is in effect on Highway 1 from the Pilot Butte Access to just east of the Highway 48 junction and from about two kilometres south to one kilometre north of Main Street on Highway 12.

“There are three components to traffic safety: engineering, enforcement and education,” Highways and Infrastructure Minister Don McMorris said. “Our government continues to assess what steps we can take in terms of infrastructure and traffic operation improvements, increased police presence and public education.

[Speed Reductions Set for Two high Collision Highways](#)

### **WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY - JUNE 5**



World Environment Day (WED) is the United Nations' principal vehicle for encouraging worldwide awareness and action for the environment. Over the years it has grown to be a broad, global platform for public outreach that is widely celebrated in over 100 countries. It also serves as the 'people's day' for doing something positive for the environment, galvanizing individual actions into a collective power that generates an exponential positive impact on the planet.

This year's World Environment Day will be small island developing states or "SIDS." Island nations around the world are particularly vulnerable to climate change, natural disasters and rising seas.

### **SASKATCHEWAN INSTITUTIONS DESIGNATED FOR THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM**

In light of recent federal regulatory changes to the Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations, the federal government has made additional amendments to the International Student Program that became effective June 1, 2014.

These changes now require international students to be enrolled at a designated post-secondary educational institution for programs of six months, or greater, in duration in order to be awarded a study permit.

“This new federal process will allow full-time international students enrolled at designated

institutions to work part time off campus and full time during scheduled school breaks with an Off-Campus Work Permit (OCWP),” Advanced Education Minister Rob Norris said. “International Students who currently hold a valid OCWP will not be affected by the change.

[Saskatchewan Institutions Designated for the International Student Program](#)

## **60 OFFICERS DEDICATED TO TRAFFIC SAFETY ENFORCEMENT**

Saskatchewan people will be safer on provincial roadways with the introduction of two new Dedicated Traffic Safety Enforcement Units. Each unit will consist of 30 officers, 15 from existing provincially funded positions and 15 new officers funded by SGI. The two units will begin operating in central and southeast Saskatchewan.

“New legislation with a focus on harsher penalties for impaired driving, distracted driving and excessive speed takes effect in the province on June 27,” Minister responsible for SGI Donna Harpauer said. “Strong and visible enforcement are essential to make the new legislation effective.”

“Saskatchewan has one of the worst rates of injury and collisions on highways,” Corrections and Policing Minister Christine Tell said. “With 60 more officers dedicated to enforcing the new laws, drivers will have additional encouragement to change behaviours that could result in a traffic collision, making our roads safer for all road users.”

[60 Officers Dedicated to Traffic Safety Enforcement](#)

## **DID YOU KNOW...**

... Deafblindness is a disability in which individuals experience a combined loss of both vision and hearing such that neither senses can be used as a primary source of gathering accurate information.

... Great strides were made last week as producers now have 64 per cent of the crop seeded according to Saskatchewan Agriculture’s Weekly Crop Report.

... Since 2008-09, the number of patients receiving MRI service in Saskatchewan has almost doubled from 17,949 patients to an estimated 33,825 patients expected in 2014-15.

## **JUST THE LINKS**

- June 3, 2014 - [Reminder: Saskatchewan Youth Looking for Work](#)  
June 2, 2014 - [National Transportation Week in Saskatchewan](#)  
June 2, 2014 - [Highway 58 Near Gravelbourg Sees Improvements](#)  
May 31, 2014 - [Government of Saskatchewan Celebrates the Expansion of Hope's Home](#)  
May 30, 2014 - [Investor Alert: Group Targeting Investors of York Rio Resources Inc.](#)  
May 30, 2014 - [New MRI for Moose Jaw to Benefit South Saskatchewan Patients](#)  
May 30, 2014 - [Province Proclaims Deafblind Awareness Week](#)

## **COMING EVENTS**

### **World Environment Day**

Date: June 5

Where: Around the World

When: All Day

### **Silverspring Community Association AGM**

Date: June 10

Where: Mother Teresa School

When: 8 pm

### **Picnic in the Park**

Date: June 19

Where: Forestry farm Park & Zoo

When: 4 pm - 8 pm

## **THOUGHT OF THE DAY**

**"I can be changed by what happens to me.  
But I refuse to be reduced by it."**

**~ Maya Angelou**

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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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